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## MINISTER LOSES HIS SEAT

Jim Knight loses out to Conservative in a hung Parliament ...

SOUTH Dorset is starting a new era this week after Richard Drax won the seat in a decisive general election victory for the Conservatives.

He beat Employment Minister Jim Knight by more than 7,000 votes to

end nine years of Labour control.

From the outset it was clear that Mr Drax had won the lion's share of the vote and he told jubilant supporters at the Weymouth Pavilion Ocean Room count: "It has been

an entertaining four weeks.

"I just played it with a straight bat. We won for political reasons not personalities.

"I think there is a huge desire across the country to stand up for the people who I think feel utterly disillusioned and disenfranchised.

"My job for South Dorset is to reverse that and make politics more accessible with more meetings with my constituents."

A disappointed Mr Knight raised a sympathetic laugh when he said: "The Employment Minister is now unemployed!"

He congratulated Mr Drax and urged him to look after the South Dorset electorate because they were "brilliant people".

He added that national themes had impacted on voting and he would now take a holiday before considering his future.

South Dorset's turnout was actually slightly down at 68.2 per cent from 69.6

per cent in 2005.

Returning officer Tom Grainger said 76 staff tackled the election including six teams of counters and he added that there had been no "issues" at any polling station.

He said: "There was a very good turnout particularly with postal votes which were over 80 per cent."

Mr Grainger had to deal with some bizarre spoiled ballot papers including one where a voter had commented on all six candidates, variously labelling them "toff",

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**AFTER THE COUNT:** Richard Drax speaks his first official words as South Dorset's new Conservative MP. With him are, from the left, Brian Heatley (Green), Jim Knight (Lab), Mike Hobson (UKIP), Ros Kayes (LibDem) and Andy Kirkwood (MAD).

## ... And Conservatives lose out in a hung council

CONSERVATIVES came within six votes of taking control of Weymouth and Portland council.

Instead they started and finished local elections with 18 seats, one short of the 19 they needed to rule the 36-seat authority.

The closest contest of the election proved decisive in maintaining the borough as a hung authority after Independent Margaret Leicester narrowly held off Tory Portland Mayor Richard Paisley to retain her Tophill East seat by just five votes.

Mrs Leicester said: "It was close

and I thought I had lost it at one stage but I am pleased to have won."

Mr Paisley said: "It was very close and I will certainly have another go at the next Tophill East election."

Elsewhere Ray Banham returned to the council after an absence of five years by taking the previously Conservative seat at Melcombe Regis for the Liberal Democrats.

He said: "It was a good clean fight and it is nice to be back."

No sooner had the Tories lost one seat than they clawed it back when Ian Munro-Price took Tophill West

from the Independents.

He said: "It was quite close, the vote was split and I am delighted to have won."

It took a recount to separate candidates in the Westham East ward where Ian James felt his decision to switch from the Lib-Dems to the Tories had been vindicated after the electorate just returned him to office by 16 votes.

He said it was "a fight and a half" and he was delighted to have won while just-beaten Lib-Dem candidate

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can be very interesting but I don't watch a lot of them.

**■ WHAT would be your three-desert island discs?**  
That's very difficult, I have a wide musical taste. I think "One by One" by the Foo Fighters, the whole album is superb, "The Joshua Tree" by U2, again another superb album from beginning to end. "2001" by Dr Dre, I'm a big fan of Dr Dre, his earliest stuff with NWA is really good but also again all the songs on that album are very good as well.

**■ WHICH three dream guests would you invite to a dinner party?**

I'm an Arsenal fan and I think Arsene Wenger would be my first choice because he always seems like he's got something to say and I don't think he'd let the conversation die out. My fiancée Jade, it wouldn't be a dinner party without her. The last one would be Freddie Mercury. Queen are an amazing band and he was an amazing front man.

**■ WHAT are your favourite events that go on in Beaminster?**

I think that the biggest one is the Beaminster Festival, which is a fascinating festival celebrating art. The opening ceremony in the square is always enjoyable and has a very good atmosphere. Last year I went to the Eat Dorset food festival at Parnham House which I thought was very good and gave a good insight into locally produced food which I think is a very good topic in this area.

**■ WHAT are your favourite TV crime programmes?**

I used to watch The Bill when I was younger but I don't often watch a lot of police dramas. I think a lot of the reality ones are quite a good insight into the job and they



**■ WHAT are the biggest problems that affect the Beaminster area?**

Rural crimes such as thefts of heating oil, which at the moment is of big concern. It's a more valuable commodity now because of prices going up and the Beaminster and Marshwood Vale safer neighbourhood teams have released a scheme called "stop that oil" to try and get people aware of their security around their tanks. We are trying to make it harder for people trying to access the fuel.

**■ WHAT made you join the police force?**

I have always wanted to be in the police force. When I was 21 I applied to become a PC, I was rejected at that stage unfortunately but when I saw the advertisement for a PCSO I thought why not? It gives me a good insight into the job and it will be a good stepping stone.

**■ WHERE do you see yourself in five years time?**

I'm not really looking that far ahead because I've got a family on the way and I'd very much like to be family man. If that means that still doing this job is beneficial to the family then I'd like to still be here. I was always looking at going in and joining as a PC but I enjoy this job a lot and it is more suited to family life I think.

**■ WHAT is the role of a PCSO for those who are still unclear?**

There are a lot of people who still aren't very clear. It does differ from force to force but the main part of it is working with a safer neighbourhood team and finding community issues that need to be addressed and concerns that people have within there community and looking to resolve it. That can be through multi agency work, working with the different local authorities, with schools, with the youth centre. Working with different agencies to try and resolve those concerns. Community engagement is a big part of that and a big part of my role.

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■ RAY Banham (centre) won the previously Tory Melcombe Regis council seat for the Liberal Democrats

## No overall majority in council elections

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Oz Kanji said: "I might stand again if it is the right cause." No other sitting councillor lost their seat which left the council make-up remaining with 18 Tories while the Lib-Dems moved up to 11, Labour remaining at five with the Independents dropping to two councillors.

Tory leader Mike Goodman, who had South Dorset's new Tory MP Richard Drax watching proceedings, was philosophical.

He said: "It was a good election for us but we are still a hung council because we missed overall control by one seat."

Their closest rivals are the Liberal Democrats and leader Ian Roebuck said: "I felt we performed well locally by gaining one seat and coming within 16 votes of getting a second."

### RESULTS:

#### Littlemoor:

Mark Tewkesbury (Lab) 1,028; Nigel Reed (Con) 544 Majority: 484. Turnout: 59.78%

#### Melcombe Regis:

Ray Banham (Lib-Dem) 1,083; David Price (Con) 938 Elaine Walker (Lab) 568 Majority: 145. Turnout: 53.32%

#### Preston:

Hazel Bruce (Con) 1,763; Richard Collings (Lib-Dem) 1,345; Maureen Drake (Lab) 385 Majority: 418. Turnout: 80.74%

#### Tophill East:

Margaret Leicester (Ind) 657; Richard Paisley (Con) 652 Sandy West (Lab) 488 Majority: 5. Turnout: 70.91%

#### Tophill West:

Ian Munro-Price (Con) 768; Jo Atwell (Lab) 600; David Thurston (Ind) 471; Trebor Morgan (Lib-Dem) 453; David Beaman (Ind) 239 Majority: 168. Turnout: 62.62%

#### Underhill:

Paul Kimber (Lab & Co-op) 625; Richard Denton-White (Citizens Action Party) 524; Amanda Munro (Con) 369 Majority: 101. Turnout: 57.97%

#### Upwey & Broadway:

Robbie Dunster (Con) 829; Roger Genge (Lib-Dem) 641 Stewart Pearson (Lab) 531 Majority: 188. Turnout: 69.47%

#### Westham East:

Ian James (Con) 611; Oz Kanji (Lib-Dem) 595 Andy Blackwood (Lab) 551 Majority: 16 Turnout: 62.16%

#### Westham North:

Christine James (Lib-Dem) 1,193; Andy Manvell (Con) 858; Michael Drake (Lab) 743 Majority: 335. Turnout: 66.30%

#### Wey Valley:

Kevin Hodder (Con) 1,139; Alan Chedzoy (Lab) 693; Brian Heatley (Green) 275 Majority: 446. Turnout: 74.47%

#### Weymouth West:

Dominic Lonsdale (Con) 1,143; Colin Huckle (Lab) 956 Mark Fisher (Lib-Dem) 733 Majority: 187. Turnout: 70.23%

#### Wyke Regis:

Geoff Petherick (Con) 1,597; Lucy Hamilton (Lab) 1,469 Majority: 128. Turnout: 72.02%

## Minister loses his seat

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"looney", "bigot", "?", "mad" and "no way"!

What votes did count put Liberal Democrat Ros Kayes in third place and she said: "We increased our vote substantially but the swing to the Tories along the south coast swamped everybody."

Brian Heatley for the Green Party and Mike Hobson for the United Kingdom Independence Party both said that future elections had to have proportional representation while Andy Kirkwood for the Movement for Active Democracy said he was "completely gutted" to come last although he hoped he had "created a snowball to start an avalanche".



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More than 8,000 passengers are expected on vessels docking at Portland Port over the next five months.

About half are expected to visit the Hope Square area of Weymouth, said Jane Milner of Portland Port, and they are each expected to spend about 57 euros.

Traders are being encouraged to accept euros on days when cruise passengers visit because there are no places to exchange euros around the harbour and shops will need to accept the currency if they want to maximise sales.

Weymouth and Portland Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Tourism president Nigel Reed said that part of the passenger service will see each person given a 'Welcome to Weymouth's Historic Waterfront' leaflet.

It will list members' businesses and mark those accepting euros while also highlighting any special activities or events taking place during their visit.

The council has produced 'We Welcome the Euro' stickers and Lloyds TSB has offered to help with exchange rates and support for retailers which offer to take euros.

Mr Reed said: "Hats off to Portland Port for increasing the number of cruise ships that visit Portland and encouraging passengers to visit the local area rather than organised trips to Bath or Stonehenge."

"By providing outlets that will accept euros we hope that this will bring new customers to at least some of the shops and restaurants in the town and I am sure the demand will increase as we near 2012."

One such outlet is the PAZ clothing store at the harbour end of St Mary Street whose owner, Seddiq Mustafa, fully supports the initiative.

He said: "I think it is quite important to offer a facility for visiting cruise passengers to spend their euros because it helps them and it helps business. It is an extra."



■ ENTERPRISE initiative helps local businesses capitalise on an influx of European cruise ship visitors: From right to left, Amanda Milner, Sales and Marketing Executive, Portland Harbour Authority, Ian McQuade Commercial Manager, Portland Harbour Authority, Roger Dalton, Chairman of the Harbour Traders Association, and Jacqui Gisborne, Regeneration and Tourism Officer, Weymouth and Portland Borough Council.

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## More fascinating facts revealed

DORSET'S latest fascinating facts have been revealed for May 2010 as the countdown continues to the 2012 Olympic Games.

Team Dorset launched a special 1,000 Facts for 1,000 Days project with one fact being published every day right down to the start of the Games.

Among facts highlighted is one from Paul Docksey of Broadmayne who revealed that Weymouth Amateur Boxing Club came into being on May 17th, 1933.

Another fact from Amy Hill of Weymouth for May 19th reveals that comedian Ronnie Barker used to have a holiday cottage at Beaminster.

A fact provided by Jacqui Griffiths of Weymouth and earmarked for May 25th reveals that Weymouth and Portland has the sunniest climate in the United Kingdom.

Amy Corben-Hale of Weymouth has chipped in with a fact for May 27th which highlights that Portland sea lavender, one of the UK's rarest plants, is unique to the island.

Team Dorset stresses that theirs is an ongoing project and they are encouraging people to keep on submitting facts via the Team Dorset and Dorset For You websites.

Paper forms can be picked up from Weymouth and Portland council's offices on North Quay, Weymouth.

### Bridport woman avoids serious injury in accident

A BRIDPORT woman avoided serious injury when the car she was travelling involved in a three-vehicle collision.

Emergency services were called to the incident on the westbound A35 road heading toward the town.

Police have not disclosed if the woman, who was driving a Vauxhall Corsa car, was one of the people who required treatment for whiplash.

A male motorist reported the crash to police at 5:56pm on Wednesday, May 5th on a mobile phone as he passed the accident.

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# Body found after explosion and fire

A BODY was found after an explosion and fire at a detached house in Sutton Road, Preston.

Forty firefighters tackled the incident including crews from Weymouth, Dorchester, Bere Regis and Maiden Newton.

Dorset Police and South West Ambulance Service also attended the scene and it soon emerged that a body had been

found in the house which was severely damaged.

Windows were blown out by the force of the blast, flames licking through roof tiles were visible for some distance and work to control the fire and then try to discover its cause went on for some hours.

Chief Inspector Steve White of Dorset Police said that officers had cordoned off part

of the area. He added that the remains of a body had been found and the cause of the explosion and fire was still being investigated.

He added that the death of the person remained unexplained, no formal identification had taken place and the coroner had been informed.

# 650 motorbikes on sea front

POLICE are warning drivers to watch out for a giant rally of 650 motorcycles roaring into Weymouth this weekend.

The Harley Davidson Owners Group will be holding its annual ride from Warmwell Leisure Centre to Weymouth, on Saturday, May 15<sup>th</sup>.

Officers say that police outriders will be trying to keep disruption for other road users to a minimum.

The bikes will travel in convoy through Affpuddle, Tolpuddle, Puddletown, then go onto the B3142 and the B3143 Piddle Valley road.

After briefly using the Dorchester bypass, they will travel through Broadmeare to the Warmwell Cross Roundabout where they will take the A353 to Weymouth, arriving at about noon.

by Harry Walton

The convoy will travel along the length of Weymouth sea front to the Pavilion where it will turn and retrace the route back as far as the Lodmoor Country Park. The bikes will then be displayed for anyone who is interested to view them.

Road users are being asked to avoid the A353, Preston Road and Weymouth sea front between 11.30am and 12.15pm on Saturday, 15 May.

Motorists unavoidably finding themselves on these roads at these times are asked to obey all instructions and directions received from either police officers or from the Harley Davidson

Rally's own marshals.

Sergeant Jamie Allmond, of the Road Policing Unit, said: "Dorset Police has a good relationship with the Harley Davidson Owners Group."

"The rally's marshals and the police outriders will be working hard to try and keep delays and disruption to a minimum.

"Police outriders will endeavour to keep the convoy as compact as possible."

"This many motorcycles will undoubtedly cause some disruption along the sea front but by keeping the convoy compact and allowing it free run along the seafront – by temporarily closing side roads – will ensure the safety of all riders and members of the public."

## Drug dogs used in raid

ONE person has been arrested and three others dealt with in an operation to tackle the use of illegal substances in Weymouth and Portland pubs.

A team of Weymouth police officers and two drugs dog handlers from Devon and Cornwall Police recently visited ten pubs.

With them were two passive drugs dogs which are specially trained to identify people who may be carrying, or may have used, illegal drugs.

During the operation, a 28-year-old man from Weymouth was arrested on suspicion of possessing controlled drugs, two men aged 29 and 38 were given fixed penalty notices, and a 25-year-old man was given a warning. The men were searched after the passive drugs dogs indicated traces of illegal substances.

Substances believed to be cannabis, amphetamine and ecstasy were recovered.

Sergeant Dave Hughes, who led the operation, said: "This operation came about thanks to funding from the Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership.

"As Dorset Police does not currently have any passive drugs dogs, the funding allowed us to buy in the services from another force.

"Most of the people we spoke to on the night were very supportive of the operation and I would like to express my thanks to pubs' staff and customers for being so patient during the operation.

"If you have any information about drug activity in your neighbourhood, then please contact us."

## Reluctant 'yes' to flats

PLANNERS have backed a scheme to demolish a four-bedroom home and build eight apartments in its place.

Members of Weymouth and Portland planning committee said they were saddened by the Preston Road proposal in Weymouth but that there were no planning grounds to refuse the development.

Objectors had claimed that the apartments would cause "overshadowing", would hit the character of the area and that the scheme had a poor and over-dominant relationship with nearby properties.

But David Crosland for the applicants denied the proposal was overbearing and said it was attractive and a good addition to Preston Road.

Councillor Geoff Petherick said: "It is sad but I really can't see how we can refuse it."

Councillor Margaret Leicester said: "I think it is sad that Preston Road is being viewed as a development area."

"Unfortunately I can find no reason to refuse this scheme especially as sites on either side are already being developed as flats."

The meeting then voted 9-1 to approve the development.



**PORTRLAND** United manager Nick Preston receives the cup from Doug Hollings' widow, Diane, and son, David

## Football match in memory of late Councillor Hollings

PORTRLAND United and Wyke Victoria staged an entertaining football match to raise money for Julia's House hospice in memory of popular Wyke Regis councillor Doug Hollings who died recently.

Wyke Victoria and Portland United would like to thank everybody who participated and helped organise this event.

said he was extremely proud of his squad who battled tirelessly.

The cup competition will now be arranged annually between teams in the Weymouth and Portland area.

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# Pulling out the stops for VE celebration



■ THEY DON'T LIKE IT UP 'EM! Pitsford Home Guard show Hitler the cold steel during bayonet practice.



■ WARTIME music from Weymouth Con-

**W**AR memories were relieved when Weymouth's Nothe Fort held celebrations to mark the 65<sup>th</sup> anniversary of VE Day.

Second World War fighting officially finished on May 8<sup>th</sup>, 1945, but visitors to the popular attraction were able to sample the varied military and civilian life of the time through a series of displays.

Sirens sounded and Pitsford Home Guard from near Northampton went through drill and bayonet practice before Andover-based 25<sup>th</sup> Bomb Disposal Company Royal Engineers showed just how dangerous it could be to defuse a 500lb bomb which was often booby-trapped.

Stirring music of the period was provided courtesy of Weymouth Concert Brass as visitors toured the site's many other attractions including a field hospital,



■ EVACUEE Henry Rivett, 8, says goodbye to mother, Sandra, as she returns to blitz-hit London.

by Harry Walton

radio displays and a wartime shop, kitchen and schoolroom.

The 6<sup>th</sup> Airborne Division gave a rifle fire power display and there was even a chance to see how evacuee children had to leave for a new life in the countryside away from London's blitz-bombed streets.

Fort events leader Jane Chandler said: "It was such an important day that the Fort pulled out all the stops to mark it because all those years ago it was a day of celebration.

"It marked the end of war in Europe although fighting against Japan was still going on.

"The reaction from our visitors was fantastic and they really entered into the spirit of the events we had arranged."



■ BRIAN Hughes with a severed "hand" at the 181<sup>st</sup> Field Ambulance display.

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# Weymouth is a top four destination

WEYMOUTH and Portland is one of the top four up and coming holiday destinations in the world.

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TripAdvisor, which deals with millions of reviews and opinions submitted by travellers, also mentioned Weymouth's picturesque working 17<sup>th</sup> century harbour and World Heritage coastline, urging people to visit now ahead of Olympic crowds.

Weymouth and Portland's tourism and economy teams have been working hard to capitalise on the benefits of hosting the 2012 Olympic sailing events and increasing the

**By Harry Walton**

said: "It's fantastic to see travellers appreciating the town's beautiful beach and old-fashioned English hospitality. What's more, Weymouth will soon secure its place on the global stage when it hosts the sailing events for the 2012 Olympic Games."

The increased interest will enable the area to extend the holiday season beyond the traditional summer period, which will strengthen the local economy.

Accommodation providers are not only investing to deliver quality holiday accommodation but are also providing the facilities to rinse, dry and store guest's equipment.

Weymouth and Portland regeneration general manager Simon Williams said: "The

news that we are the fourth-best up and coming holiday destination in the world is evidence that the legacy of the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games is already beginning to take shape, and that the hard work that has been involved in converting this to lasting benefits for the area is paying off."

"We are developing and delivering new and innovative promotional campaigns that are reaching new markets which will supplement and compliment our main family market. "We are working closely with a host of national and international partners, like Visit Britain and Visit England, who are enabling us to deliver key messages to a much wider audience.

## Get down to Asda for an unusual shopping experience

PERFORMING Arts students from Weymouth College will be transforming the town's Asda store tomorrow lunchtime (Thursday).

Project Random will see the supermarket transformed into a theatrical extravaganza to provide customers with an unusual shopping experience.

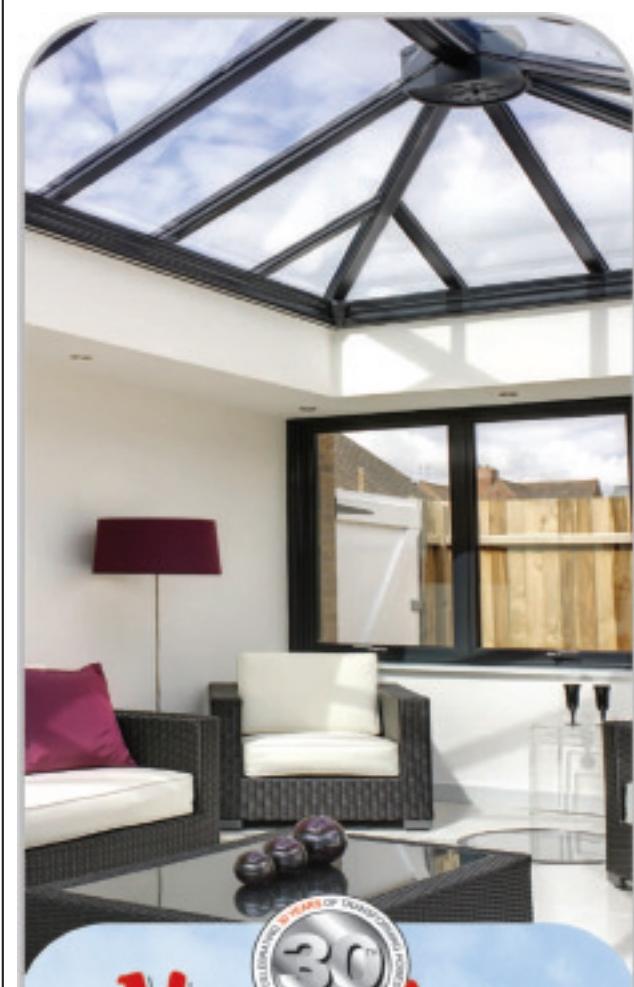
A group of young talented college performers will wow shoppers with a variety of unexpected events.

Customers may see a group of over-the-top tourists heading their way or a quirky tea party and a few dances to make people want to skip down the aisles.

The event follows a similar Project Random which was held last year outside Debenhams.



■ Performing Arts students who are heading for Asda in Weymouth.



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**Castle for sale**

A PORTLAND landmark which is more than two centuries old has been put on the market for £4 million. The Pennsylvania Castle was built back in 1800 during the reign of George III as a stately country home for John Penn, the grandson of William Penn who founded Pennsylvania in the United States. The flag of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania hangs in the hall and it is alleged that Churchill and Eisenhower planned part of the D-Day invasion there. The building was a hotel for nearly 40 years but is now a private home.

**The Christian Column****AS I SEE IT ...**  
by Geoff Treleaven

FTER the resurrection of Jesus, which we celebrated on Easter Day, there was a forty day period when He appeared to many and taught His disciples things they had not previously understood. But that time came to an end.

In my earlier school days, Ascension Day was recognised as a special day when we were to register our attendance, attend church, and then take the rest of the day as a holiday.

Nowadays, many of us have little regard for such a day; but in scripture, it does have a great significance.

Jesus said He would send the Comforter (Holy Spirit) to be with us always, but He would need to go away first. Ascension Day (described in my diary as Holy Thursday) is celebrated tomorrow.

After He ascended, the disciples continued to gaze toward heaven. Two angels appeared and assured them that He would return in the same way. (See Acts 1: 9-11) Christians have held on to that hope ever since. That day might be nearer than we think!

Meanwhile, there is a sense in which He did come again ten days later in the person of His Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost. I'll say more about that next week.

**Top ten placing for college**

WEYMOUTH College was among the top ten per cent of schools and colleges in the UK for A level performance in 2009.

Its success emerged during the latest Advanced Level Performance System study.

ALPS is a nationally used A level and AS level measurement which looks at how much value is added to each learner as a result of their studies.

College 14-19 years director of learning Stuart Hirst said he was proud of the results revealed by the recent study.

He added: "At Weymouth College we have extremely high expectations for every single one of our

**RESULTS day 2009 at Weymouth College.**

learners and placing Weymouth College in the top ten per cent of national providers certainly demonstrates this."

The 2009 study com-

pared analyses of A level performance across 1,109 schools and colleges nationally.

College principal Sue Moore said: "This is a fan-

tastic achievement for our staff and students and this is a great accolade to add to our 100 per cent pass rate for A levels in 2009."

**Businesses invited to get into the 'Spirit'**

LOCAL businesses are being invited to support this year's Spirit of the Sea maritime festival.

The event runs from July 3<sup>rd</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> and provides about 50 marine related activities in the area for people to take part in.

Last year's festival realised around £2 million for the local economy and organisers have recently heard that Spirit is being recognised as an official cultural Olympiad event for Dorset in 2012, so participation now will provide greater prominence for future business.

Organisers are hoping to attract 50 businesses which will enjoy the best of benefits to promote their business.

Amongst the advantages participating businesses will realise are a rotating Top 50 logo position on the home page of Spirit of the Sea website www.spiritofthesea.org.uk and a static logo entry to the Top 50 sponsors page of the website with a link to their own website while company logos of the Top 50 sponsors will appear in the official Spirit of the Sea programme.

The cost for a Top 50 sponsor will

be £395 plus VAT and, because of the increased interest in the festival, businesses will be limited to one in each category apart from a few selected categories such as restaurants and hotels where the limit will be three per category.

Among businesses that still have Top 50 slots available are estate agents, accountants, sports shops, pubs, restaurants, hotels, tourist attractions and fish and chip shops.

More information is available from event manager Roy Griffiths on 01305 832512.

**Lodmoor tree walk**

A SPRING tree walk is being planned in Weymouth by the Friends of Lodmoor Country Park.

Weymouth and Portland parks manager Carl Dallison has looked after the trees at Lodmoor Country Park since the 1980s and he has agreed to lead a series of seasonal strolls round the park to share his knowledge and expertise.

The spring walk, which will cost £1 to go to the Friends' Green Gym launch fund, will be held on Saturday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> starting from the children's swings at 10am. It will look at the park's wide variety of trees as they come into leaf and will look at blossom.

The first walk last November coincided with an extremely stormy day, but Carl and a small group of friends braved the winds and had a most exhilarating morning.

They learned which trees not to stand under and pressed their palms against great trunks flexing in the wind.

Carl identified the different trees and talked about their characteristics and what had influenced their growth.

More information is available from Dinah Ellis on 01305-772075.

**Dance mat session**

PEOPLE are being invited to a training session in Weymouth so they can try out dance mats.

Waterside Weymouth Community Forum has been after dance mats for some years, recent funding has now achieved this and people are being encouraged to come along and learn how to use them.

The mats are for hire to any community, school or organization and it is important that someone from the group knows how to operate them.

The training day will be on May 21<sup>st</sup> at the Park Community Centre in Chelmsford Street at 10am for 10.30am and organizers need to know by May 19<sup>th</sup> if people are coming.

More details are available from Ken Whatley on 07971-716254 or 01305-839579.

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■ Weymouth Operatic Society are looking for a dog type similar to this to play Bullseye in their production of Oliver

# Looking to score a Bullseye!

by Paul Crompton

DOGGIE auditions are to be held to find a canine star to play Bullseye in Weymouth Operatic Society's forthcoming production of Oliver.

Chairman Patrick Sutton has already cast the villainous Bill Sykes but is still looking for his tough sidekick dog, Bullseye.

Rehearsals are well underway for the much loved musical, but the hunt is now on for the perfect dog to play one of the most famous bull terriers of all time.

So if you own a bull terrier or a similar breed which looks tough but is really a softie then the Society would love to hear from you.

Applicants need to be good with children and adults and should be con-

fident and friendly.

If you think your dog fits the bill and could be a star

in the making then the Society urges owners to bring their dog along to auditions at Hope Church,

Brewers Quay, Weymouth, on Sunday, May 16th at 3pm.

The popular Charles Dickens story of the boy who asked for more is being told at Weymouth

Pavilion from July 20th-24th with evening performances and an extra matinee on Saturday, July 24th. Tickets are on sale now for £12 each or £10 for all seats at the Saturday matinee.

There are no concessions but group discounts are

available via the Pavilion box office on 01305-783225 or by buying online at <https://weymouth-pavilion.purchase-tickets-online.co.uk/public/>.

Anyone with any queries should contact Judie on 01305-812268 or Patrick on 01305-772313.

## Thanks for a grand day out

EIGHTY pensioners have enjoyed a day trip to Lyme Regis rounded off with a free fish and chips meal.

The free event was arranged by John and Karen Pearce of Alf's Fish and Chip Shop on Chickerell Road, Weymouth, backed by donations from S&K Stores and Magna

Housing.

John said: "They had a lovely time on the coaches to Lyme Regis and they really enjoyed their meal which we paid for ourselves.

"We often arrange trips like this and we are planning another one soon."



■ SEATS full of happy coach trippers

## Planning committee rejects application for flats

A SCHEME to build four flats and four houses in Weymouth has been refused permission by planners.

Lomond Homes had wanted to knock down a house and a chalet bungalow at Courtould Drive to make way for the development, but councillors didn't like the idea despite their officers urging them to accept the scheme.

Instead members of Weymouth and Portland planning committee voted 6-2 to refuse permission for the scheme on grounds of its scale and mass and the adverse effect it would have on the character of the area.

Councillors claimed that the site formed part of one of the few remaining untouched areas in the borough.

They criticised the scheme as "overdevelopment" and claimed that the only reason for demolishing two good homes was "profit".

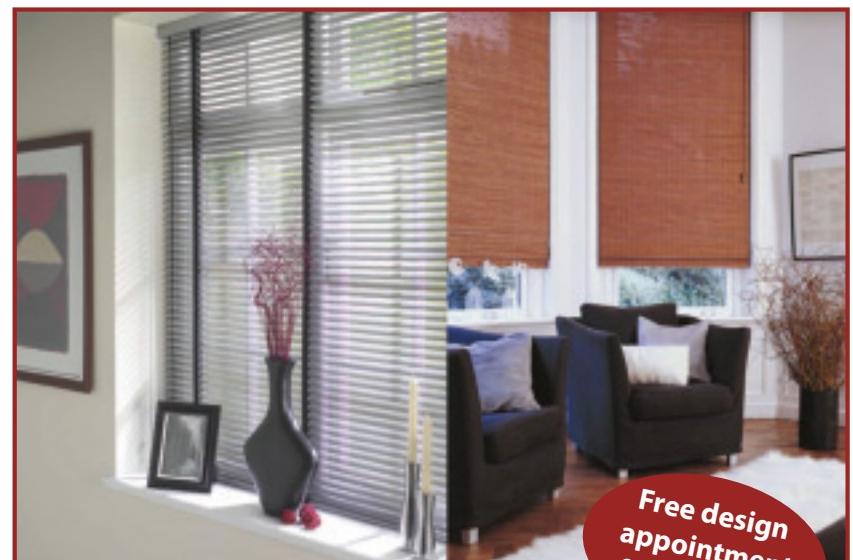
Lomond Homes said the site could comfortably accommodate the development which was "well landscaped to maintain the sylvan character of the area".

But Councillor Geoff Petherick said he felt that the development "changes quite dramatically the overall character of the area".

He opposed it as did Councillor Christine James who had concerns about parking.

Councillor Margaret Leicester said: "I am not happy. I live in a cul-de-sac and I would be horrified if flats were built down there."

"I am very disappointed at the prospect of two nice properties being demolished. It is overdevelopment."



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# Give us our daily bread



HUNGRY members of a volunteer community group snapped up a chance for first hand experience of baking.

The Phoenix Legacy group brought 20 members to view bread being made at the Phoenix Bakery in St Thomas Street, Weymouth.

Owner Aidan Chapman, who has appeared on Channel 4's popular River Cottage programme, first showed them the basics of bread making and then let them have a go themselves.

He said: "I showed them how to make Irish soda bread. It encourages people to make bread themselves at

**by Harry Walton**

home, to give them a full understanding of why artisan bread is so important."

Aidan has been a baker for 22 years but the Phoenix Bakery is his first solo venture with wife, Lisa.

Legacy founder Rosie Barfoot explained that the aim of the group was "to get over-50s more active in mind, body and spirit".

She added: "We stumbled on the bakery idea by chance when we came here for a coffee and realized that the premises shared our name."

"Our members really enjoyed this event which also included coffee, cakes and a chance for a chat."

The Weymouth-based group's next event is on June 23rd in Sherborne where members will attend an event designed to help prevent falls in the home.

Rosie said that volunteers were also being sought to create a garden for elderly people at the Crossroads Centre in Weymouth.

Anyone able to help or who would like more information about this and other events should contact her on 01305-261540.



BAKER Aidan Chapman (above and left) shows member of the Phoenix Legacy group how it's done

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TONY Gibbons (left) with Katrina Campbell, Stan Helliwell, Vicky Kelly, Alan Lees, Margaret Pearce, Kristina Froshaug, Jane Nixon, Rebecca Gibbs'Long, and Angela Gould

## Cooking group that's all about confidence

AN introductory cookery session at Outlook's Children's Centre on Portland has been hailed a great success.

The session, organised by the Synergy Housing Group, saw class tutor and workshop organiser Tony Gibbons show visitors how to cook delicious dishes quickly and easily to make mouth-watering meals.

Tony said: "The classes have been set up about getting confidence in the kitchen and learning some basic cooking skills.

"My usual approach and the whole idea behind these cooking workshops is that they are not just a course, they are not classes as such, but about getting involved with cooking, about getting your hands dirty with the ingredients and experimenting. Cooking is about having fun."

Participant Alan Lees said: "It's been great to learn some new cooking techniques. I wanted to cook things different from what I normally cook at home. I do most of the cooking at home and

tend to cook the same things over and over again and I wanted to take a fresh approach.

"Along with learning to mix ingredients we would not have normally considered, we have also learnt some hygiene tips along the way which will be really useful."

Chris, who was making pesto sauce that she had never tried before, said: "The class has been really good. It's allowed me to try things out I would not have normally tried."

Margaret Pearce said: "I've been cooking all my life but there are still things I have learnt. I wasn't adventurous enough with my cooking, I've learnt a lot and I've really enjoyed it."

Jane Nixon said: "It's been absolutely brilliant, given me a load of confidence in the kitchen."

More information on future courses is available from Synergy's Angela Gould on 01305-206924 or Tony Gibbons on 01308-868700.

If you have a story or a photo for the View from Weymouth & Portland please call our chief reporter Harry Walton on 01305 787843 or email [hdswalton@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:hdswalton@yahoo.co.uk)

# Turtles edge the money in a hung parliament!

GENERAL election voting ended with a hung parliament but there was one winner....a new turtle rescue centre on the Greek island of Zakynthos.

The general election in question was held at Weymouth Sea Life Park to discover which of three sea creatures would be best equipped to run the marine world.

Staff invited every youngster under 16 who visited the park over the recent Bank Holiday weekend to go to the polls and vote for the shark, the sea turtle or the seal.

The park's unofficial returning officer Fiona Smith said: "We thought this would be a great way of getting kids involved in all the election furore."

"There was a worthy aspect, too, because it was also a fundraising battle with all the money collected over the weekend going to a conservation cause related to whichever species triumphed."

Special talks over the weekend emphasised the finer points of each creature and argued their case for being the best choice to form a "Government beneath the waves".

Fiona said: "Our entertainments team worked frantically on their scripts. They each wanted their particular creature party to win of course."

The causes vying for a handy election fund boost were a new turtle rescue centre in Zakynthos, Greece, the Seal Protection Action Group which does so much rescue work with seals and the Shark Trust.

In the end the park welcomed 1,109 youngsters through its doors, 842 of whom chose to vote.

The results saw 39 per cent (328) vote for turtles, 35 per cent (294) vote for sharks and 26 per cent (220) vote for seals to leave no one creature in overall control.

Fiona said: "We have ended up with a hung parliament but, because turtles polled the most votes, the money we raised will



**VOTE FOR US!** Park staff Justin Robinson, Lyn Mountford and Kate Bowen promote their chosen animal party.

go to the turtle sanctuary on Zakynthos."

WEYMOUTH Sea Life Park is appealing for help to prevent the return of commercial whaling after a 24-year ban.

Along with its sister attractions across Europe and in the US, the centre has collected over 100,000 postcards filled out by people who want whaling to end for good.

The Sea Life network wants to boost that total to 150,000 ahead of delivering the postcards to the EU on the eve of a crucial meeting of the International Whaling Commission in June, to try and thwart moves by pro-whaling nations to end for good.

The Sea Life network is campaigning in conjunction with the Whale and

ban lifted.

Displays supervisor Fiona Smith said: "There's a deal being proposed which would give commercial whaling quotas to those nations who want to catch them in return for ending so-called scientific whaling.

"There's a very real danger of it being approved which would be disastrous for conservation."

"We want as many people as possible to sign postcards here in Weymouth or at any other Sea Life centre so we can deliver the biggest bundle possible to the European Union."

Postcards calling for an end to whaling can be found in a dedicated conservation area at Weymouth Sea Life Park

Dolphin Conservation Society. Society chairman Chris Butler-Stroud warned that the granting of any kind of commercial quota could see demands for it to be increased in future years to meet demand which would soon put many whales in danger of extinction.

Fiona said: "Even were it possible for commercial whaling to be carried out on a sustainable basis, which we don't believe will ever be the case, there can be no justification for the agony these animals endure before they die."

Postcards calling for an

## Growing crops that use less water in the garden

SELECTIVE growing could be the root of success for water-saving gardeners in Weymouth and Portland.

Wessex Water has come up with a list of crops which require little attention and cut back both the time and expense of bringing home-grown food to the table.

The company said plants including parsnips, sprouting broccoli, onions and carrots thrive on little to no water which means customers could care for their plants and the environment at the same time.

Wessex Water efficiency analyst Kathy Burdett said: "It is important we all use less water on the garden to help conserve water supplies and

customers on a meter are likely to save money as a result."

Other environmentally friendly vegetables include swedes, leaf beet, asparagus, rhubarb, beetroot, turnips, shallots and Jerusalem artichokes.

For gardeners dedicating more time to their patch, thirsty vegetables like runner beans, lettuces, cauliflower, celery, cabbage, Chinese cabbage, cucumbers, spinach, radishes, tomatoes, marrows and leeks can be maintained with a regular soaking of recycled water.

This can be collected from a water butt while water used to wash or boil vegetables can also be cooled and then used on the garden.

the best time being during the evening or early morning when less evaporation takes place.

Miss Burdett also advised against over watering plants because it not only used more water but made plants weaker and more vulnerable to dry weather.

Ornamental plants can also be cared for using shower or bath water, but gardeners should not use this on edible plants while a watering can should be used instead of a hosepipe if it is necessary to use tap water on the garden.

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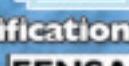
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# Weymouth Matters

A personal View by HARRY WALTON

Get the message!

THEY say that all the work and stress of campaigning for a general election can take years off a politician's life, but it's not much better for members of the public.

One man was quietly going about cutting the hedge at the front of his garden when he was practically given a heart attack.

The source of his shock was a Chelsea tractor towing an election trailer on which were mounted a pair of speakers.

Unfortunately for the man he had his back to the passing trailer and jumped with shock when its speakers blared into life right next to him.

The message broadcast urged everyone to vote for that particular political party, the man replying with a hand message of his own which was so instantly understandable that even a politician would have grasped what he meant!

## What price the swingometer?

DUST from the general election battle is beginning to settle and it is interesting to note some of the lengths media went to in an effort to gauge opinions.

One pensioner approached me with this amusing tale which left him stunned while showing that not every poll can be relied on.

He had been on a computer when he came across a site which offered guidance on how people might vote.

All people browsing the site had to do

was choose seven different areas such as the Economy, Immigration, Defence, the Environment or Pensions.

Each chosen area then offered a series of views on that option, the browser having to click on whichever option came closest to their personal views.

When all seven chosen areas had been completed, the browser then clicked on another point and the site spat out its suggestion of how the person might vote based on the seven answers which had

been provided.

Well it turned out that the suggestion of fered to the pensioner based on his replies was not much good to him in South Dorset...because it advised voting for the British National Party which didn't even have a candidate contesting that seat.

He was also quick to point out that he wouldn't have voted BNP even if they'd had a candidate! What price the "Swingometer" now!

## The delights of Weymouth on a not so sunny May Bank Holiday

SOME claim that the May Bank Holiday is really the beginning of the Weymouth summer tourist season, but seafront visitors clearly wished they were in warmer climes.

I'd just got rid of a car load of unwanted items at the Lodmoor tip and was coming home along the seafront when I saw one of the most miserable sights I've seen for a while.

Weymouth's excellent little land train

was plying its trade on the Esplanade, but on board were the survivors of an horrific experience.

Pinched white faces peered dully out of hoods pulled close to shield them from a biting wind while bodies shivered inside every stitch of clothing they could wear.

There was an utterly despairing quality about those on the train and others like them scattered along seafront benches or huddled in shelters.

Just looking at them made me shiver because they seemed beyond caring what happened to them.

Typical British Bank Holiday weather really and I'm sure the hypothermia candidates I saw didn't want to know that Weymouth had just had its sunniest April since records began in 1894! Bet they go to a different hot spot like Grimsby next year.

## See how they like it

HE just laughed and laughed and laughed. In fact he seemed about to do himself an injury.

Some people gave him a wide berth, others couldn't help but smile along with the happy chuckler as he managed to totter to a harbourside bench near Town Bridge in Weymouth where he subsided to wipe his eyes.

He was still spluttering and laughing when a passer-by stopped and asked him if he was all right.

It emerged that he was perfectly all right, never better, but that he had suffered at the hands of road works for months.

Because of that he just burst out laughing when he saw all the brand new roadworks right outside the council offices on North Quay!

He said: "Does my heart good. See how they like it for a change."

## These sacred isles!

IT appears that draconian new measures have been brought in to ban toddlers from Portland's cramped and winding streets.

Apparently there is so little room over there that some shopkeepers feel they have no alternative but to limit their customers to older children and adults. Before any irate parent gets too hot under the collar they might like to know the source of the restriction. It originates from a shop sign I saw which read: "No buggies. Narrow isles"!

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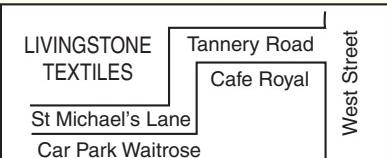
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You would imagine that planting perennial (permanent) plants would be the solution to easy gardening, but life 'aint' that easy, for one thing they tend in time to get weeds entangled in their roots and it becomes a labour of love trying to remove them throughout the season, the other problem is that most of them have just a short period of flowering and you have to make a careful choice of what you purchase. Some people, especially those with a new garden, tend to visit a garden centre and buy loads of plants that are flowering at that particular visit, the problem is that they usually stop flowering at the same time and your garden is left devoid of colour for the rest of the year, so, what's the solution? The obvious one is to make regular visits throughout the year to your garden centre, that way you will see various groups of plants to get colour from all the year round, at Groves you can talk to our plants men who actually spend time growing and producing plants in our nursery, real prac-

tical plants persons, so don't be frightened to ask for advice. Another solution is to have a mixture of perennial plants and annual plants, this can be achieved by perhaps having shrubs at the back of the border and perennials like lupines delphiniums etc in the middle and front, but leaving pockets of bare earth to plant annual flowering plants in, like begonias, busy lizzies, petunias pansies etc., most of these annuals will flower continuously throughout the summer and you can replace them if you wish in the autumn with spring flowering plants and bulbs.

Flowers also have their place in the vegetable garden, we have an experimental potager garden at Groves, where we mix flowers and vegetables together, flowers like French marigolds and tagetes to deter naughty bugs like blackfly and greenfly, but there is also a need to attract beneficial insects like bees to pollinate your beans etc, this can be done by planting verbena bonariensis, lavender, sedums etc, it is a fine balance to get a healthy garden and chemicals shouldn't be relied on to achieve this, especially in a vegetable garden.

Finally a word on potting compost and manure. Never just use your garden soil to pot up your plants, it's very unsuitable in containers as it goes down to mud and doesn't allow your plants roots to breath, it really is best to buy a purpose made compost, multi purpose for sowing seed and potting up young plants, if you intend to plant a more permanent tub, you should use a John Innes potting compost no.2 or 3 for shrubby species or a potting and container mix for a summer long bedding container.

Don't let things get to complicated, keep your gardening simple and remember its YOUR garden, so do what YOU want and don't be deterred by others.

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## Jottings from the Potting Shed

**W**ith the weather in April being not too bad, you should hopefully have been able to crack on and have got lots done. The lawn now needs to be brought up to scratch with a good feed and weed. Now's the time, if you've not already done so, to plant up hanging baskets, tubs and containers. Plants that are looking their best this month include Wisteria, Lilac, Brooms, Ceanothus and Clematis. A lot of herbaceous perennials come good this month too with Hardy Geraniums, Aquilegia, Paeonies, Dicentra or bleeding hearts and Bearded Iris. Late flowering tulips, fritillarias and hardy orchids also give some welcome colour if you planted them last autumn. Let's hope the weather continues to be good this month with some, but not too much rain.

**Beds & Borders** The threat of frost has hopefully now passed and tender bedding plants can be planted in the border. Before planting ensure that the soil has been prepared, a layer of garden compost or composted manure should be forked in to provide the soil with aeration, water and nutrient holding capabilities. At the same time apply a dressing of 'Pelleted Chicken Manure' at 4oz per sq yard (140g per sq metre), this will provide a great start for the plants' needs. Slow perennials like aubretia, aquilegia, delphiniums and lupin along with biennial wallflowers and annual candytuft, french marigolds and nasturtiums. All of these will need protecting from slugs and snails, thinly scatter some slug pellets amongst the newly sown seed. Roses and other flowering shrubs can be given a feed using 'Toprose' this is a long lasting feed that will last all season.

**Topical Tip** If you've just a few weeds to kill in the lawn then use Verdone ready to use lawn weed killer spray. There is no mixing so no measuring or spilling and no waste. Children and pets just need to be kept off during use and for drying then they can be allowed to use the lawn again immediately afterwards.

**The Greenhouse** Cuttings of fuchsias and geraniums can now be taken before they produce flowering buds. These will produce excellent flowering plants later in the season. Dip the cuttings in Rooting Powder before sticking into small pots filled with 'Arthur Bowens Multi-purpose Compost' or 'Seed & Cutting Compost'. They should root in about two to three weeks. Hanging baskets, tubs and window boxes etc should be planted this month. To keep these plants looking at their very best make sure you add the two following ingredients to the compost. The first is 'Watergel', this will store up moisture and release it back as the compost dries out. The second is 'Osmocote Tablets', these are slow release plant food which is ideal for baskets, tubs, window boxes and patio pots. It lasts for six months and all you have to do is push three or four tablets into the compost after you've finished planting up. Once the summer bedding and patio plants have been moved out, greenhouse crops like tomatoes, cucumbers, melons and peppers should have priority. Tomatoes, peppers and aubergines should be planted at three to a grobag and cucumbers and melons two to a grobag. To get the best from your grobag crops remember to feed them regularly and do use Tomorite, it's still the best.

**On The Plot** Conditions will have improved enough to allow for the planting of runner and French beans, sweetcorn and marrows. The secret of a good crop is in the soil, particularly in the case of runner beans and marrows. Prepare the beds before planting by digging in garden compost or composted manure. This month will see pests becoming a problem, these should be quickly identified and controlled by using either 'Provado Bug Killer' or 'Bug Gun for Fruit & Vegetables' to prevent the build up of infestations. If you are not sure what the problem is then bring some in to the shop in a sealed poly bag and we will happily identify the problem and advise you on the best course of action. Remember we do this for free. Powdery Mildew will begin to attack most soft fruits and tree fruit this month and should be quickly controlled using 'Bayer Systhane Fungicide' which is quite safe to use on most fruit crops.

**Lawns** Turfing and seeding can continue this month providing it is not too dry, but seed should be sown as quickly as possible to allow establishment before possible dry conditions. A light sprinkling of 'Growmore' about 4oz per sq yard (140g per sq metre) one week prior to sowing will help both seed and turf to get established. Water the areas regularly in dry weather. When watering turf, lift the corners of one or two to make sure that the soil underneath has been thoroughly moistened. Use Evergreen Complete, it's a great feed, weed and moss killer that will rid your lawn of those difficult weeds and give it a useful feed at the same time. By Shaun Samways, Potting Shed, Dorchester



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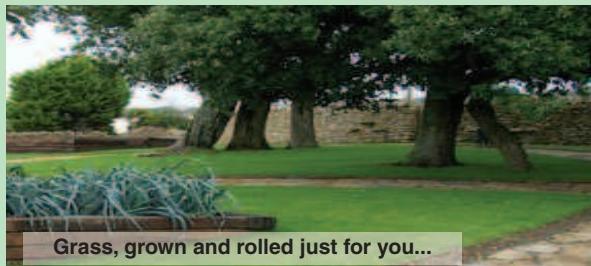
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Clive Cobb, former creative director of Saatchi & Saatchi will be one of the keynote speakers at Creativity Works: Dorset.

Dominic Tambling of Creative Dorset, Lisa Worthington from Tandem Marketing and Ross Cleaver of Revolting Art & Design are working together to stage the seminar at Dusk nightclub in Weymouth on May 26<sup>th</sup>.

Dominic said: "Dorset is a county where there is exceptional creative talent and this needs to be celebrated.

"The purpose of the event is to demonstrate the importance of investing in creative services in delivering commercial success. It's also about inspiring people to approach and work with bigger brands that would normally use metropolitan based creative services".

This whole day seminar is for cre-

ative and non-creative businesses in Dorset wanting to know more about how creative excellence can deliver increased commercial success.

The event will focus on a number of key areas including how creative agencies and clients can work more effectively together to deliver mutual commercial success and recognising the opportunities that the 2012 Games present as a catalyst for delivering county wide creative excellence.

The importance of investing time and money in creative talent to deliver increased profits for businesses, celebrating the county of Dorset as a hub of creative talent and challenging preconceptions about creative talent outside major metropolitan areas will also be on the agenda.

Executive producer Roz Houchin from Pulse Films, London, the TV Ad production company for T-Mobile and Nike, will be speaking about

Nurturing Creative Talent and Striving to Inspire Your Client while Clive Cobb will be talking about Achieving Creative Excellence Through Brand Stories.

Matt Desmier, Arts University College Bournemouth will be talking about Dorset Design Forum and will also deliver a themed speech on The Value of Creativity in Your Organisation.

There will also be break-out workshops delivered by local business leaders covering areas that directly affect creative excellence.

Included in the event will be a market place where local creative businesses will be exhibiting their services, entertainment and a screening of the film 'Helvetica'.

More information about Creativity Works: Dorset is available at

<http://creativityworksdorset.co.uk/>



■ The One Voice choir

## Successful spring concert

A LOCAL choir has enhanced its reputation with a flowing performance for its spring concert at Weymouth Bay Methodist Church.

The One Voice choir has its origins in Littlemoor but now has members who come from many parts of Weymouth and Portland.

Acting chairman John Ellis paid tribute to musical director Grazina Ellis for her "leadership, inspiration and musical ability".

A succession of well-known classical pieces performed by

Rachel Turberville Smith, Grazina Ellis, Steff Benton, the choir and guest guitarist Mike Botterill were followed by the first half ending with a hugely inspiring and earthmoving rendition of Karl Jenkins' Adiemus with full accompaniment including a recorder and two enormous bongos!

The second half of the concert brought a change of mood with musical theatre, swing and the blues, all of which delighted an appreciative audience including Weymouth and Portland's Deputy Mayor and Mayoress,

Mr and Mrs Paul Kimber.

Mr Ellis paid tribute to the One Choir which has only been established over the last three years.

He added: "Two major contributors to the smooth running of the event must be mentioned. The Reverend David Plumb for his support and sound-lighting expertise and Brian Westlake, the compere whose appropriate comments and knowledge of the various items added to the smooth running of a memorable occasion."

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# Giving back to his town

DURING his Army career Douglas Beazer never forgot the happy family upbringing he had back in Beaminster and when he retired after a successful career, he vowed to help give something back to the town.

Doug is a distinguished and well respected member of the community having been a councillor since 1989 including a spell as chairman between 2007 and 2009.

"Beaminster gave me such a wonderful childhood, and I feel now through my work I can give something back to the community I love," he said.

Douglas is also a member of the Royal British Legion where he was treasurer for a decade and was the parade marshall for 15 years until he retired in 2005. He is also a Freemason and has been chairman of the Beaminster Manor Lodge twice, as well as a leading light in the Bridport & District Model Railway Club which he joined in 1989. He retired last year after 25 years service with the Melplash Show.

**This week STUART BROOM talks to DOUGLAS BEAZER in the first of a two part feature. Having enjoyed his childhood in Beaminster, he vowed to give something back to the town after a 24 year career in the Army. This week he talks about that childhood and his life as a soldier, where one of his claims to fame was being the first pupil to enter the new comprehensive school at Newtown when it was opened in January 1963.**

Douglas was the second eldest of six children of Gerry and Joy, and was born at Horn Ash, near Kittwhistle, at the junction where the B3162 meets the B3165, in April 1948.

Within months the family moved to the newly completed Fairfield Estate off Tunnel Road in Beaminster.

"Mum and Dad had a difficult time bringing up six of us and could not favour one above the other, but we were very happy," he said.

"Two things particularly stood out; Christmas, and summer holidays. We had very traditional Christmases, and up until we went to bed on Christmas Eve there was no sign of any decorations or presents. When we woke in the morning, usually about 4.30am, we opened out stockings on the end of our beds and went down stairs

for breakfast. It was only after we had cleared up that dad opened the door to the sitting room which was decorated with trimmings and the tree. They were really wonderful times."

Despite the hard times, in the summer they usually went for a caravan holiday in Cornwall.

Doug said: "Dad was a lorry driver for Perry's and travelled all over the country. He knew several cafes and restaurants where we would stop for meals and drinks on the way."

Although there were times when the siblings; John (the eldest), Robert, Frank, Denise and Janet, didn't always agree, Douglas remembers they generally got on well.

He began his schooling in Beaminster Girls and Infants School in Hogs Hill Street where he learned to knit dishcloths, before moving on to Beaminster

Boys' School in East Street for his junior education.

He said: "The school's classrooms and facilities were all over the place and so the town was always full of children. We did PT in the Public Hall, games at The Memorial Playing Field and school dinners were served in the Red Lion pub, with the girls in what is now the function room and the boys in the adjoining room."

Douglas lays claim to the fact that he was the first pupil to enter the new comprehensive school, now Beaminster Technology College, when it opened in January 1963.

It was during its building that his inquisitive nature began to develop.

"I became interested in its construction and the engineering side of it, and used to visit the site when I could," said Doug.

"In those days there was no health and safety rules so I was able to go where I wanted."

The new facility meant

the closure of Beaminster Boys' School and the transfer of the pupils to the new one, so when the school opened Douglas was first in line having queued since 8am.

Further tours took him to Malta for three years and Cyprus, which included short detachments to many of the Mediterranean countries.

Back in the UK he was posted to Gillingham in Kent where the soldiers used a local pub called The White House. Unknown to Douglas the pub was run by his future in-laws.

With retirement looming Douglas was posted to Warminster in late 1985 where he decided to take a job at the REME workshops ensuring equipment was Fit For Role. This involved the inspection of aerial delivery items such as parachutes, underslung helicopter equipment and abseiling ropes in use by many varied units around the South West of England.

An artificers training course in Hampshire saw him promoted to Staff Sergeant and a posting to the Aerial Delivery section at the Joint Air Transport Establishment at Brize Norton specialising into research of aerial delivery by parachute.

In his three and a half year posting he was involved in the trials of the first airdrop from the stretched version of the Hercules aircraft.

Further postings followed including Germany

with the Coldstream Guards, then onto Cyprus where he became interested in Freemasonry and was approached by a fellow military man to join. When he was posted to Northern Ireland on special duties in the early-mid he joined the Hollywood Lodge on the outskirts of Belfast.

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On leave before taking up the post he returned to Beaminster and bought a cottage in Fleet Street in which he still lives, in readiness for life as a civilian.

He retired in 1988 with the rank of WO1 ASM (Warrant Officer 1st Class, Artificer Sergeant Major).

We conclude Douglas' story in two weeks time with life in civvy street.



## Walk Your Way to school this May in celebration of Walk to School Week

This May, children right across West Dorset will be striding out on the pavements as they take part in a very important event: National Walk to School Week 2010 (17 - 21 May).

This year, the theme is 'Walk Your Way' which aims to encourage parents and children to get to know their local neighbourhood better by exploring it on foot. In addition to learning more about their local environment, children will be able to learn to

orientate themselves on the journey to and from school, as well as learning vital road safety skills and keeping active!

National charity Living Streets works to create safe, attractive and enjoyable streets around the UK. They run the highly successful Walk to School campaign, which encourages over two million children, parents and teachers to leave their cars at home and walk to school.

Over the past two decades, the number

of children who walk to school has dropped from 62% to 48%, with an enormous 43% being driven to school in cars - despite the fact that the majority of primary school pupils live within a 20 minute walk of their school.

During Walk to School Week this year, we are asking parents and children to give it a go and to 'Walk Your Way' to school. It's already established that walking is key in fighting childhood obesity, but it can also be beneficial to children in other ways, helping them learn vital road safety skills, to interact with their local environment and to become 'streetwise'

and develop independence.

Tony Armstrong, Chief Executive of Living Streets said:

"Young children are often bundled from front door to car door without the opportunity to get out on foot, to learn about road safety and to get to know their local neighbourhood.

"Often parents say

they don't have the time to walk, but many people underestimate the time it takes to travel by car or public transport and overestimate how long it takes to walk. By walking, children can be taught important road safety messages, feel part of their community and gain the confidence they deserve."

"Even if you feel you live too far to commute the whole way on foot, why not try to 'park and stride'? You can find somewhere to park away from the school and walk the rest of the way. Not only will you miss the rush to find a parking space, but you will also help ease congestion around the school and fit in some exercise for you and your children."

For more information about national Walk to School Week, please visit [www.walktoschool.org.uk](http://www.walktoschool.org.uk).

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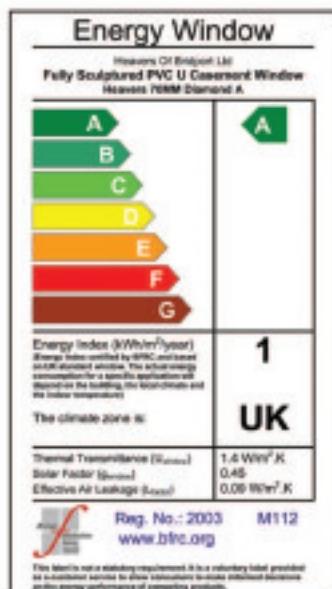
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Sarah Hough creates contemporary paper goods on 100% recycled paper. She is proud that her stationery is both designed and printed in Dorset. This range is available through The New Curiosity Shop along side rustic hand made furniture made from reclaimed timber and metal in the designers Dorset workshop. These are beautiful, functional and unique pieces of furniture including bespoke mirrors, coffee tables, display units and wine racks. Continuing the home and interior theme, a Dorset based award winning photographer shows atmospheric photographs of Dorset coast and landscapes through the shop. These are sold as stunning signed mounted prints ready to be framed.

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The first of these will be their Gluten-Free Day on Saturday 15th May, which concludes Coeliac Awareness Week. Throughout the day Char-Chars will have a selection of tasty gluten-free, dairy-

free and lactose-free products for you to sample.

Having developed a mild wheat intolerance herself last year, co-owner Sonja Morgan has found it increasingly difficult to find tasty gluten-free snacks or light lunches when out shopping. "There's a varying quality of gluten-free products available, many of which compromise on taste," says Sonja. "We've strived to find good quality gluten-free food so that coeliacs or people with mild wheat intolerances can enjoy as really tasty light snacks." At Char-Chars you'll find gluten-free soup and sandwiches, delicious cakes and brownies and you could even have a cream tea or toasted teacake! According to one customer recently "you wouldn't know they're gluten-free!"

And what better to accompany it than a good cup of tea! Although you'll see over 30 different teas on offer, owners Sonja and Phil Morgan have designed their tea menu to help make your choice easy. "We are passionate about our tea and only serve the finest quality loose leaf, but there are thousands of teas on the market and the choice can be daunting. If you know what you like or simply want to be adventurous, our menu will help you choose". Staff at Char-Chars share their passion about tea too, and with a different tea frequently on the brew, you can invariably sample something a little different.

Char-Chars Tea House is just a few doors up from M & S on the main pedestrian street in Dorchester.

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## JAMBO - Dorchester Festival is back!

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Pulsating rhythms, spectacular dancers and hundreds of children in African-inspired costumes come together for a free weekend of music, dance and celebration over the end of May bank holiday. Performances from African music legend Kanda Bongo Man and stand-up comedy talent Gina Yashere head a stunning line up of international artists appearing in the Festival's evening venues.

And to top it off - a North African "souk" will transform the streets with a diverse range of African textiles, leather and other products and a range of exotic food and drink.

"It's going to be an amazing festival with something for everybody," said artistic director Sharon

Hayden. "There will be dozens of free daytime events throughout the town on bank holiday Saturday, Sunday and Monday and evening events spread across the week."

Highlights include Spacehoppers - a new show for 3-7 year olds by acclaimed children's theatre company Tell Tale Hearts, Tea and

Talk with novelist Salley Vickers, and Dorchester Arts' third visual art Open exhibition in the centre's newly refurbished rear hall.

The Festival offers a rare chance to see newly developed cutting edge small-scale theatre - The Tragic and Disturbing Tale of Little Lupin and small-scale horror show - The Little Box of Horrors.



PULSATING PROGRAMME: Dorchester Festival Artistic Director Sharon Hayden (left) with administrator Irene Archibald, membership manager Mike Furze, Board member Rod Drew, Marketing officer Bruno Sajno and young helpers Issy and Archie.

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They also found a copy of the Abbot's Bible with a 15th century cover over a 12th century manuscript, lodged up the main chimney.

Derek is a chef and prepares most of the food which he tries to source from local farms and producers in the country. All of the cakes and scones are baked fresh every morning, and they serve good, hearty breakfasts from 7.30am to 10.00am.

As well as the traditional 'cream teas' there is always homemade soup of the day, a wide selection of sandwiches and hot baguettes and a daily 'specials' board.

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## There's a lot happening at Dorset County Museum!



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At 7.30pm on Friday 14 May historian Philip Mansel is giving a talk entitled 'Dress and Power from Napoleon to Osama'. Tickets cost £5.

On Saturday 15 May all six museums in Dorchester will stay open from 5pm to 9pm for Museums at Night. Buy a family ticket from one of the museums

(Dorset County Museum, Tutankhamun Exhibition, Terracotta Warriors, the Teddy Bear and Dinosaur Museums and The Keep Military Museum) for just £6 (or £10 on the night) to get into all six – that's just £1 for the whole family for each museum! You can also use your entry ticket to get special deals on drinks, food and snacks during the evening from participating cafés and restaurants – see lists at each museum.

The exciting new exhibition at Dorset County Museum - Alice Kettle: Allegory - features the dramatic, contemporary embroidery of artist Alice Kettle. Art and design students and many others can enjoy a Masterclass at 7pm on Wednesday 2 June where Alice will discuss her work and take questions from the audience. Tickets cost just £5. Entry to the exhibition, which runs until 26 June, is free and many of the works are for sale.



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## Tea and history anyone?

The Duke of Monmouth landed at Lyme Regis on the 11th June 1685 to challenge King James' claim to the throne, following the death of Charles II. He assembled an army in excess of 3,000 men and marched to Sedgemoor in Somerset.

He was defeated by the King's army in less than a month. Around 1300 were taken prisoner. Five Judges came to Dorchester with the infamous Judge Jeffreys, whose reputation was that of the 'hanging judge'.

In September 1685, 312 cases were heard in the Oakroom at the rear of the Antelope Hotel; of these 292 were sentenced to death. Only 74 were executed, with 175 transported, 9 were fined or whipped and 54 were discharged.

Judge Jeffreys – having his eye on promotion – was later made Lord Chancellor.

When King James fell and William of Orange landed in Torbay, Jeffreys was captured and imprisoned in the Tower of London. He died in 1689 while awaiting trial, probably of natural causes.

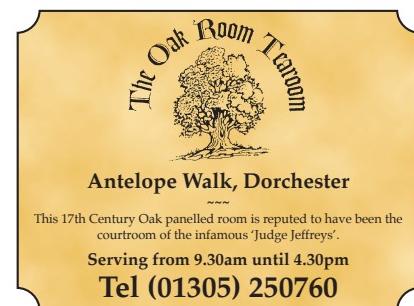


Rumours at the time said he had been poisoned while in the Tower and that his body had been returned to Dorchester and walled up in the Courtroom – now the Oakroom.

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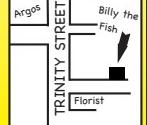
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## View 2 Music

# Fairport Convention: Still going strong

THE David Hall in South Somerset has steadily built up a well earned reputation as one of the South West's premier venues for folk music. Last week folk rock legends Fairport Convention played not one but two nights at the former church, confirming the South Petherton venue's status.

Fairport have been at the top of their genre for more than 40 years. Their first self-titled album was released in 1967, but it wasn't until *What We Did On Our Holidays* a year later that things got really interesting. It was on this album Sandy Denny joined the already impressive line-up, that included the likes of esteemed singer-songwriter Richard Thompson, and the band's place in the history books seemed assured.

The following year's album (in those days it was the norm for a group to release at least one new album every year) featured Sandy's 'Who Knows Where The Time Goes?' which won a recent BBC Radio Two poll to find listeners' Favourite Folk Track Of All Time.

That tune's parent album, *Unhalfbricking*, is seen as transitional, with the band moving away from its American influences to more traditional English folk songs. The next record, *Liege & Leaf*, cemented British folk rock as a specific genre and remains one of the most celebrated of all folk albums to this day.



**OLD BANDMATE** | Guitarist and singer-songwriter Richard Thompson was in Fairport Convention from 1967-1971 when the band was at its peak

played their eclectic mixture of instruments that included a bass ukulele and an electric octave mandolin (which looked like an odd-shaped eight-string guitar).

Highlights of the evening included a number featuring all of the band on ukulele as well as a haunting tribute to Sandy Denny with an emotive version of 'Who Knows Where The Time Goes?'

As much as I enjoyed the night, I did go home with the impression I'd missed the band at their best. I stayed up until the small hours tracking down classic Fairport tunes from the late Sixties and early Seventies.

Who does know where the time goes?



**THESE DAYS** | The current Fairport Convention line-up has been together for 12 years

by James Coles

# Oscar for the Marine Theatre

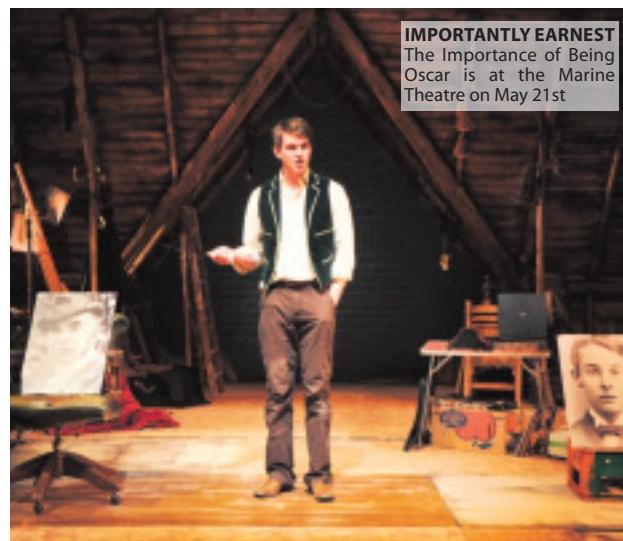
WRITTEN and performed in 1960 by honorary Irish theatrical polymath Micheál Mac Liammóir, *The Importance of Being Oscar* toured the world to critical exultation and popular adulation. Fifty years on, the show is as captivating and magical as ever, and is coming to the Marine Theatre in Lyme Regis as part of a UK tour by the Original Theatre Company.

Staged as a single-hander, and directed by Tom Neill, *The Importance of Being Oscar* is a tribute to Oscar Wilde, the first modern man; a theatrical luminary and flamboyant socialite, as his private and public lives are creatively juxtaposed with extracts from his poems, letters, plays and novels including, amongst others 'An Ideal Husband', 'The Picture of Dorian Gray' and 'The Ballad of Reading Gaol'.

Oscar Fingal O'Flahertie Wills Wilde's was born in 1854 into an Anglo-Irish family in Dublin, and his rich and dramatic portrayals of the human condition were a celebrated feature of the Victorian era. Regarded as one of the nation's greatest playwrights and famous for his superbly sharp wit, Wilde wrote and produced nine plays during his lifetime, and one novel: *The Picture of Dorian Gray*. His works continue to be widely performed today especially *The Importance of Being Earnest*.

Originally commissioned in 2009 to celebrate South Hill Park Arts Centre's 25th anniversary, *The Importance of Being Oscar* has been freshly re-directed and designed for touring by nationally renowned Original Theatre Company. Formed in 2004 by Creative Director Alastair Whatley, The Original Theatre Company is an acclaimed touring company based in the market town of Bury St Edmunds in Suffolk. The company has built up its ever increasing reputation performing new and classical texts with its own brand of daring innovation; playing often in unconventional locations - cliff tops, abbey ruins, school yards, stately homes, libraries, football grounds and pub gardens. In recent years the company has ventured into touring Great Britain's theatres. Original Theatre has played some of the smallest, some of the oldest and some of the largest and most prestigious theatres in the country.

*The Importance of Being Oscar* is at the Marine Theatre on Friday, May 21st at 8pm. Tickets cost £11.50 (£9.50), available from Lyme Regis Tourist Information Centre on 01297 442138, on the door, or online at [www.marinetheatre.org.uk](http://www.marinetheatre.org.uk).



**IMPORTANTLY EARNEST**  
*The Importance of Being Oscar* is at the Marine Theatre on May 21st

# Poetry for Pleasure

by Frank McGarry

**Epitaph on a Politician**

Here William lies, in truth; before he died  
For forty mortal years in truth he lied!

Most of us, if we look back to our early life, would find – as Lincoln did – both sadness and pleasure are there.

**The Past**

When I was young  
I thought that to forget all sorrow,  
pain and grief  
I needed to discard all the things  
that reminded me of the past  
and go forward.

Now I know we do not forget so easily  
and wish I had the things I tossed away.  
Because the pain softens time  
and things become more  
precious with time.

Now I wish I had  
an attic full of my past  
to pass the time  
on rainy afternoons.

If you have a short poem of your own that you would like to share with our readers please send it to: "Poetry for Pleasure", Lyne Media & Events Ltd, St Michael's Business Centre, Lyne Regis, Dorset, DT7 3QF.  
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*"I remember, I remember/The house where I was born/The little window where the sun/Came peeping in at morn..."*

THOMAS Hood's poem, of which these are the opening lines, has appeared in numerous anthologies on both sides of the Atlantic. It evokes, for many readers, memories of their own childhood days. A similarly nostalgic poem was written by Abraham Lincoln. The 16th U.S. President was a contemporary of Hood's so it is unlikely either would have been aware of the other man's work. At twenty verses the full poem is longer than the 278-word Gettysburg address. This is the first half of it.

**My Childhood Home I See Again**

*My childhood's home I see again,  
And sadden with the view;  
And still, as memory crowds my brain,  
There's pleasure in it too.*

*O Memory! thou midway world  
Twixt earth and paradise,  
Where things decayed and loved ones lost  
In dreamy shadows rise,*

*And, freed from all that's earthly vile,  
Seem hallored, pure, and bright,  
Like scenes in some enchanted isle  
All bathed in liquid light.*

*As dusky mountains please the eye  
When twilight chases day;  
As bugle-tones that, passing by,  
In distance die away;*

*As leaving some grand waterfall,  
We, lingering, list its roar–  
So memory will hallow all  
We've known, but know no more.*

*Near twenty years have passed away  
Since here I bid farewell  
To woods and fields, and scenes of play,  
And playmates loved so well.*

*Where many were, but few remain  
Of old familiar things;  
But seeing them, to mind again  
The lost and absent brings.*

*The friends I left that parting day,  
How changed, as time has sped!  
Young childhood grown, strong manhood gray,  
And half of all are dead.*

*I hear the loved survivors tell  
How nought from death could save,  
Till every sound appears a knell,  
And every spot a grave.*

*I range the fields with pensive tread,  
And pace the hollow rooms,  
And feel (companion of the dead)  
I'm living in the tombs.*

There are not many politician-poets, are there? Apart from Hilaire Belloc, I can't think of another one. Perhaps the two professions are not compatible, with poets seeking truth and politicians being chiefly involved in deception. As Belloc himself wrote:



# Get Stompin'

# Po' to play the Palace

PO'GIRL have become one of the most successful bands ever to emerge from Canada, weaving a blend of musical influences, sweetness, grit and soul. These urban minstrels pen harmony drenched melodies you'll find yourself humming, wowing audiences across the globe with their powerful, passionate and spirited live show.

The group was formed after the release of the first two Be Good Tanyas albums, when Trish Klein (of the Be Good Tanyas) collaborated with Allison Russell. They released their self-titled debut album in 2003 to rave reviews. Now, after honing their sound in 13 countries over the last 24

months, the ladies have released their fifth album 'Deer in the Night' as a true testament to their bond and to their tremendous growth as writers.

Po' Girl may be a quartet, but in any given concert you're likely to hear them playing a dozen instruments. "Different songs call for different instruments," said Allison Russell, Po' Girl's lead vocalist who sings with a hypnotic vibrato. "I write songs on guitar, piano, banjo and clarinet." The band showcases melodies from instruments as diverse as banjo, clarinet, harmonica, dobro, accordion and gutbucket bass.

Po' Girl's sound has echoes of speakeasy jazz, the western

lament and the accordion-trapped ghosts of European folk, all delivered with a soulful clarity and depth and has been compared with that of The Band, Hazel Dickens, Tracy Chapman, Natalie Merchant, Elizabeth Cotten and Norah Jones.

As part of their UK album launch tour, Po' Girl will be performing an intimate concert at the Electric Palace, Bridport on Saturday 22nd May. It's a real treat to have the opportunity to see such a famous and talented band perform in such an intimate venue. Tickets are on sale now for £10 / £9 for members from The Electric Palace and Bridport Music Centre.



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# Nice guys finish last, but not Mr Nice

HOWARD Marks, author of the international best seller 'Mr Nice', brings his live show to the Electric Palace. Marks became famous for his worldwide smuggling network (set up with friends and fellow students of Oxford university), which was allegedly responsible for most of the marijuana smoked in the western world during the 70s and 80s. Marks also worked as a teacher, and as an MI6 agent.

An Audience with Howard Marks will feature incredible stories from his days as one of the world's most wanted men, an agent for MI6, his 43 aliases, major cannabis deals direct with the American CIA and his 25 companies world-wide from his international smuggling empire days. Howard's live show, followed by a question and answers session has become a legendary insight into the infamous world of the controversial 'Mr Nice'.

Once noted as one of 'the most sophisticated drugs baron of all time' (Daily Mirror) Howard now writes for the Observer, The Times and Time Out where he is respected as an intellectual expert on the pro's and con's on the legalisation of Cannabis.

The show will also act as a preview of the big-screen biopic, 'Mr Nice', starring Rhys Ifans and Chloe Sevigny, which is due out later this year.

Howard Marks will be at the Electric Palace on Tuesday, May 18th. Doors open at 7.30pm, and tickets for event are £15, available from the Bridport Tourist Information Centre, or by calling the box office on 01308 424901



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View 2 TV

# Is Lord Sugar going soft?

LORD Alan Sugar says he won't be quite as harsh on the contestants in Junior Apprentice.

The teen version of the business show puts 16 and 17-year-olds in the firing line as they compete to win £25,000.

Lord Alan revealed that he will be more like a headmaster who the candidates will "love to hate", adding: "Obviously I spoke to these teenagers in a different manner. I realise these kids have to go back to school and I don't want anyone to take the mickey out of them."

"The knack of talking to youngsters is not to be too condescending but also to have a firmness about what you're saying. But at the same time recognising that you shouldn't kind of vilify them individually."

The 10 finalists have been whittled down from 28,000 applicants and include a teenage online camping and fishing entrepreneur. Junior Apprentice begins on Wednesday, May 12th on BBC1.

## SWEET AS SUGAR

Lord Alan has revealed his role in Junior Apprentice is more like that of a headmaster



CHRISTOPHER Eccleston may be starring in the upcoming BBC Four drama Lennon Naked, but he says he's no Beatles fan.

"John Lennon is not a hero of mine. But I love him because he is so deeply flawed as a human being and he left so much for us," said the actor. As for recreating that famous naked photo with Yoko Ono, he added: "You think, 'Well, he did it'. So you do it. I just held my stomach in."

## NO HERO OF MINE

Ecclestone doesn't count Lennon among his heroes, but enjoys his role as the Beatle



BRITAIN'S Got Talent rapper DJ Talent is planning to propose to Cheryl Cole when he auditions in front of the pop star on the next series of The X Factor.

He revealed: "I've got a diamond ring and I am going to get down on one knee and propose to her. I won't spare any expense. We can have our reception in McDonald's with all our mates tucking into Happy Meals! And I want Simon to be best man."

by Philip Evans



**FOR REAL?**  
DJ Talent plans to pop the question to pop starlet Cheryl Cole



# COME AND MEET THE FAMILY

One of the most exciting and inventive theatre companies to have emerged from the South West in recent years, *Rogue Theatre* have triumphed, delighted and amazed audiences with *Pathway to the Red Sun* and *Madame Lucinda's Wonder Show* and now are set to enchant with their latest creation.

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Introducing *Rogue Theatre*'s newest creation *The Thieves*; a theatre band which combines the passion and euphoria of gypsy music and the melancholy and nostalgia of tango with cabaret, bump and grind, jazz and blues.

There will also be poetry and text by Anna Maria Murphy, live music, pathos, physical performance and a feast of entertainment.

*Rogue Theatre* return to the Bridport Arts Centre tonight (Wednesday, May 12 May) at

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# Russell Crowe in Robin Hood remake

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Based in 12th Century England, Sir Robin Longstride - known as Robin Hood - returns to his northern village after fighting in the Third Crusade, only to discover his villagers suffering the oppression caused by the new Sheriff of Nottingham, played by Matthew Macfadyen ("Pride and Prejudice").

With the help of his Merry Men, Robin - famous for stealing from the rich to help the poor - rescues him home village from tyranny and corruption, whilst also attempting to win over the recently widowed Lady Marian, played by multi award winning actress Cate Blanchett.

The film has been described as a "more thoughtful" version of the well-known story, still with plenty of action, and Crowe's portrayal of Robin Hood "grittier, realistic and believable".

Having loved the character since childhood, Crowe took the role despite rumours that he was unhappy with the script. He spent 10 months reading books about the legend in preparation.

This is the fifth time Crowe has worked with Ridley Scott and movie fans have set themselves high expectations, hoping this could be the next "Gladiator".

"Robin Hood" (12A), directed by Ridley Scott, will be released at the Cannes Film Festival today (Wednesday).

THIS summer is set to be a hit with movie fans, with several anticipated sequels coming to the big screen.

"Sex and the City 2", "Shrek Forever After" in 3D, "The Eclipse" - third in the popular "Twilight" saga - and "Toy Story 3" in 3D are just some of the big releases expected over the next few months.

Keep reading my weekly film column for details on new releases.

by Francesca Evans



## CINEMA LISTINGS

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### LYME REGIS REGENT

Broad Street, Lyme Regis - Tel: 0871 230 3200

Friday, May 14<sup>th</sup> - Thursday, May 20<sup>th</sup>

**Robin Hood (12A)** - Daily: (19.45), Sat/Sun/Wed: 15.00, 19.45

**How To Train Your Dragon (PG)** - Sat/Sun: 13.00

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**Robin Hood (12A)** - Daily: 17.20, 20.20, Plus Wed: 14.20

**Street Dance 3D (PG)** - Sat & Sun: 12.30, 15.00

**Furry Vengeance (PG)** - Daily: 17.40, Plus Sat & Sun: 13.00, 15.20

**Hot Tub Time Machine (15)** - Daily: 20.00, Plus Wed: 15.00

### WEYMOUTH CINEWORLD

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**Robin Hood (12A)** - Fri & Sat: 14.30, 15.30, 17.25, 18.30, 20.30, 21.30

Plus Sat: 11.30, 12.30

Sun & Mon: 14.30, 17.25, 20.30 Plus Sun: 11.30,

Tue - Thu: 14.30, 17.25, 20.30

**Street Dance 3D (PG)** - Sat & Sun: 10.00, 12.15, 14.30, 16.45, 19.00, 21.15

**Nightmare On Elm Street (18)**

Fri & Sat: 14.40, 17.00, 19.20, 21.40, Plus Sat: 12.20

**Clash of the Titans 3D (12A)** - Fri & Sat: 18.30, 21.00

**Furry Vengeance (PG)** - Fri & Sat: 13.50, 16.10, Plus Sat 11.30

**Hot Tub Time Machine (15)**

Fri & Sat: 14.20, 16.40, 19.00, 21.20 Plus Sat: 12.00

**How To Train Your Dragon 3D (PG)**

Fri & Sat: 13.30, 16.10 Plus Sat: 11.10

**Iron Man 2 (12A)**

Fri: 14.15, 15.15, 17.15, 18.15, 20.15, 21.15 Sat: 12.15, 15.15, 18.15, 21.15

**The Back-Up Plan (12A)** - Fri & Sat: 18.30, 20.50

**Four Lions (15)** - Fri & Sat: 13.25, 15.50, 18.20, 20.45

**Alvin & The Chipmunks 2 (U)** - Sat: 10.20

**Astro Boy (PG)** - Sat: 10.00

## Venice Beach fashion model to give colour make over at South Chard Church

LORRAINE Poulton, ex-model from Venice Beach (where Baywatch was filmed!), colour consultant, makeup artist and life coach is set to give a make over and colour analysis (as in colour-me-beautiful!) at South Chard Church's 3rd annual Woman's Conference: 21st Century Women.

The theme for this year's conference is 'Smile' and alongside Lorraine, Jenny Reid, co-pastor of South Chard

Church and Yvonne Brooks, the Founder and Director of Women of Purpose Ministries, will also be speaking.

Jenny Reid from South Chard Church said, 'In today's society the stresses and busyness of everyday life can often cause women to have low moods and even depression. Our conference this year is called Smile. Smile because God is thinking about you, smile because he has some great things in

store for you, and smile because when women get together, they can't help but make each other laugh!'

The event is on Saturday, May 22nd 2010, 9.30am - 5pm. The cost is £12, which includes a 2 course lunch and refreshments throughout the day.

For more details contact Jenny Reid at South Chard Church on 01460 221215 or check out the website at [www.southchard.org](http://www.southchard.org)

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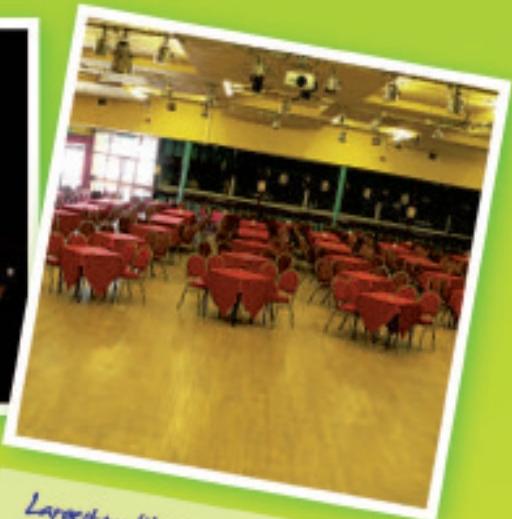
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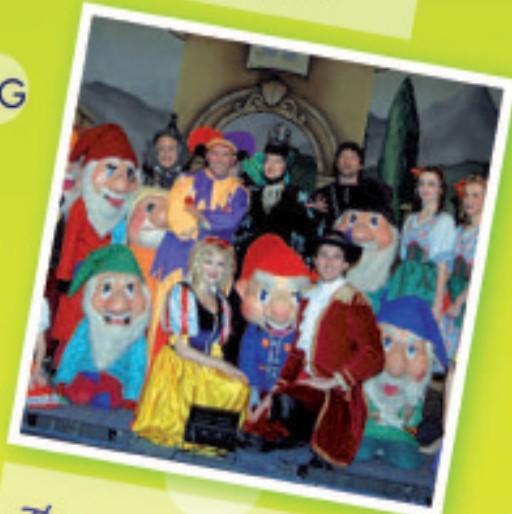
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## WEDNESDAY MAY 12TH

**DORCHESTER:** Real Nappy Roadshow, South Street from 10am - 1pm. New mums and dads can find out how to save money and help the environment at a real nappy roadshow organised by Dorset County Council. Visit [www.dorsetforyou.com/realnappies](http://www.dorsetforyou.com/realnappies) for more details.

## THURSDAY MAY 13TH

**WEYMOUTH:** Tai Chi event at the Jubilee Enterprise Centre to raise funds for Bullying UK. In the large car park at the centre will be carrying out a morning tai chi session in the open air from 8.30am - 9am, then into Nutritrain Southwest for coffee, croissants etc for breakfast.

## FRIDAY MAY 14TH

**UPLYME:** Pamper Evening in aid of Mrs Ethelstons CE School and Cancer Research at Uplyme Village Hall from 7pm - 10pm. Tickets £5 to include a glass of wine or soft drink and nibbles. Treatments will be available from a range of therapists at £3 each, and products from local business will be on sale.

## SATURDAY MAY 15TH

**Lyme Regis:** Spring Auction at the Ship Inn from 8pm onwards. Organised by Lyme Regis Pre School. Telephone 01297 445996 for more details.

**Bridport:** A Spring Concert of Music Old and New from the Bridport Choral Society at 7.30pm at United Reform Church in East Street. Tickets in advance from Tourist Information Bureau or Bridport Music Shop or at the door. Adults £6, children £3.50.

**Bothenhampton:** Film: 'Casablanca' in Bothenhampton Village Hall at 7.30pm, doors open 7pm.

**WEYMOUTH:** Coffee Morning, Table Top Sale and Auction at St Edmund's Hall, Lanehouse Rocks Road. 11am - 3pm. Telephone 01305 775553 for more details.

## FRIDAY MAY 21ST

**CHARMOUTH:** Bingo at St Andrews Community Hall. Doors open 7pm, eyes down at 7.30pm. Lots of prizes. (All proceeds to the Community Hall fund) Telephone 07813513062 for more details.

**Lyme Regis:** Judging of two cups plus end of season awards at Woodmead Halls from 7.30pm. Organised by Lyme Bay Photographic Club. Telephone 01297 444733 for more details.

## FRIDAY MAY 21ST - SUNDAY MAY 23RD

**LITTON CHENEY:** Argentine Tango at Litton & Thorner's Community Hall. Telephone 01300 320007 for more details.

## SATURDAY MAY 22ND

**UPLYME:** Masquerade Ball 7.30pm - midnight at Uplyme Village Hall. Tickets £18 on the door or phone 07921617231 to book or for more details.

**BRIDPORT:** Vinyl Saturday at The Ropemakers Pub from 10am - 4pm. Telephone 0788 239 2508 for more details.

**UPWEY:** Plant Sale and Afternoon Teas at the Memorial Hall, Victoria Avenue. From 2pm. Telephone 01305 815958 for more details.

## WEDNESDAY MAY 26TH

**DORCHESTER:** Casterbridge Male Voice Choir open workshop. From 7 - 9pm at St Mary's Church Hall. Telephone 01305 774857 for more details.

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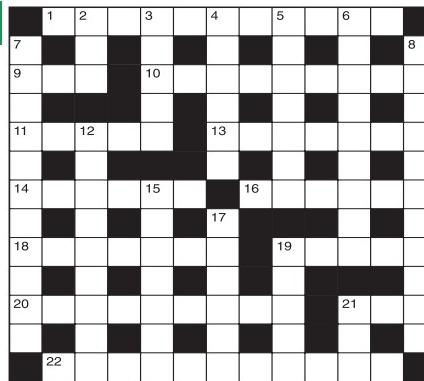
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- 10. Onlooker (9)
- 11. Merits (5)
- 13. Watch (7)
- 14. Antics (6)
- 16. Keep (6)
- 18. Hates (7)
- 19. Receiver of stolen goods (5)
- 20. Uprising (9)
- 21. Lettuce (3)
- 22. Eternal (5-6)

#### Down

- 2. Favourite (3)
- 3. Birds' homes (5)
- 4. King of the fairies (6)
- 5. Performer (7)
- 6. Amuse (9)
- 7. Mediators (11)
- 8. Unscrupulous (4, 3, 4)
- 12. Respectable (9)
- 15. Determine (7)
- 17. Earnestly desire (6)
- 19. Punished (5)
- 21. Study (3)

#### LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:

Across: 1. Curse; 3. Reveller; 9. Embargo; 10. Train; 11. Indispensible; 13. Assumer; 15. Cattle; 17. Continuation; 20. Cargo; 21. Exclude; 22. Dressing; 23. News. Down: 1. Clerical; 2. Rabid; 4. Exodus; 5. Extravagance; 6. Leaflet; 7. Rank; 8. Presumptuous; 12. Keenness; 14. Scourge; 16. Unseen; 18. Inure; 19. Acid.



### SUDOKU

Fill in all the squares in the grids below so that every row, column and each of the nine 3x3 squares contain all the digits from one to nine.

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS >

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### WORDSCAPE

Using the central letter and at least three others, how many words can you find? Plurals, proper nouns and hyphenated words are not allowed, and there is at least one 9-letter word.

15 words = OK,  
25 words = Good,  
35 words = Great,  
40+ words = Excellent.

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## Not rotten in the slightest!

ReView | Die Roten Punkte, Marine Theatre

Thursday, May 6th

What do you get if you cross The White Stripes, Kraftwerk, early New York punk and Spinal Tap? That's easy: Otto and Astrid Roten, aka Die Roten Punkte.

As the band came onto the stage, with a slightly askew resemblance of the aforementioned White Stripes, it seemed the fifty or so audience members in attendance were unsure quite what to make at first. But after a false start sound check, it was clear to all that the band were ready to rock "the greatest city in England, Lyme Regis", whilst having us roll around on the floor laughing.

The performance was high energy, with both performers both physically very entertaining, particularly Otto, who has the frontman pouting and strutting down to a tee.

The songs, whilst all parodies of their respective genres, were so well played, and well written, that they could have been genuine hits.

The gags were freeflowing throughout the night too; the duo's (intentionally) broken use of the English language made for many laugh-out-loud innuendo's, and the band's banter with the audience, and with their lighting technician, also made for a laugh. The audience were a key part to the show, and although not great in numbers, the Marine Theatre crowd were willing to take part in the sing-a-longs organised by the two band members, quite often in competition with each other.

Certain themes repeated throughout the show, including Otto's love, and fear, of lions - as demonstrated on the song *Ich Bin Nicht Ein Roboter (I Am A Lion)*, a genuinely catchy electro-pop tune. There was also the questionable relationship between brother and sister (another nod to the White Stripes), and Astrid's troubles with drink and drugs.

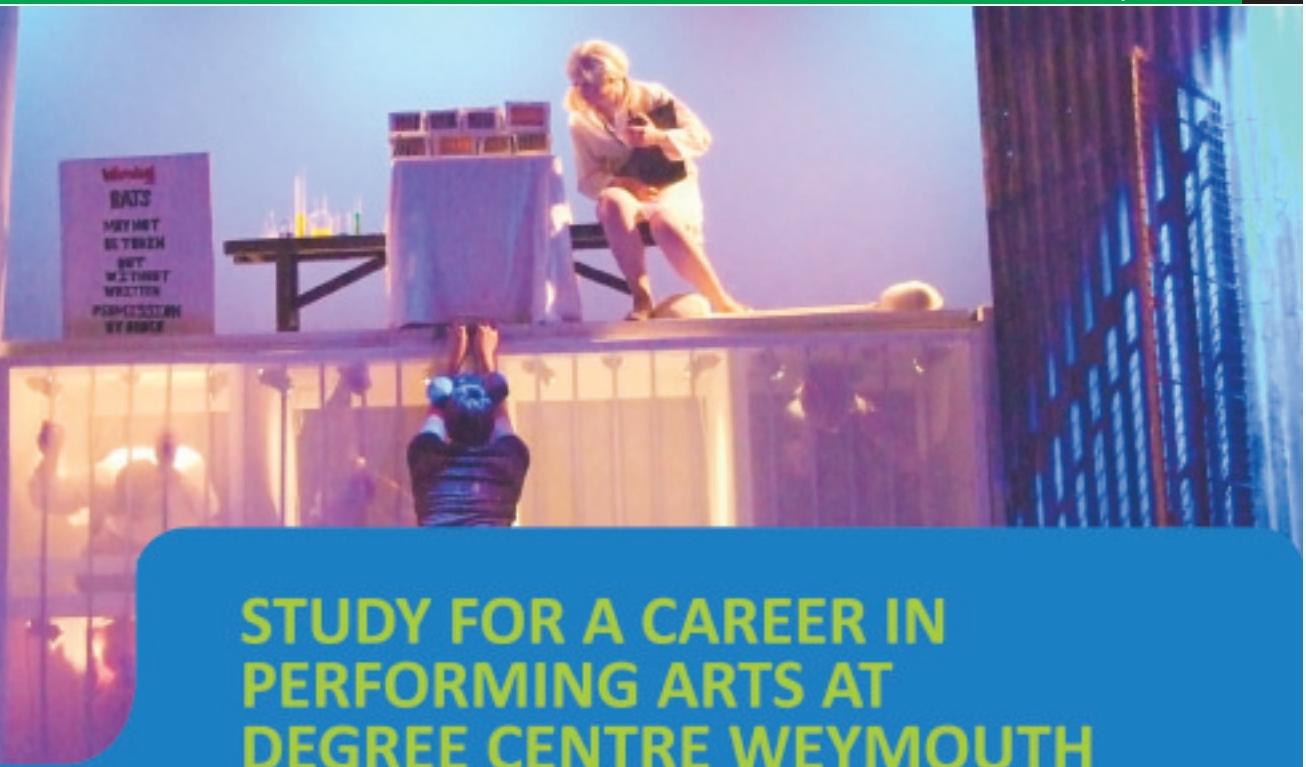
Their set list included some of their 'hits' Rock and Roll Monster, 4:13 to Spandau, and encore Rock Bang complete with join-in hand gestures.

Before going into the show, I had no idea what to expect, but if I'd had expectations, Die Roten Punkte would surely have surpassed them. The show had great songs, a simple and effective visual appeal and humour stretching from straight-forward one liners, innuendo and parodical in-jokes. I'm just hoping these guys can return to Lyme, so we can all get ready to 'Rock Bang' again!

Review by Rob Larcombe



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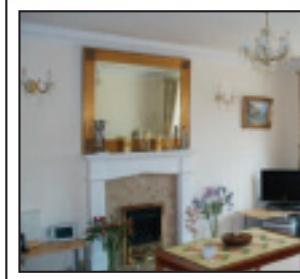
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**UPLYME - £455,000**

- Entrance Hall
- Cloakroom
- Utility Room
- Living Room
- Kitchen/Dining Room
- Open Plan Study
- Master Bedroom With En-Suite



- Three Further Bedrooms
- Family Bathroom
- Garage
- Gardens

**LYME REGIS - £335,000**

- Situated on the edge of the town occupying a corner plot and backing onto open fields is this detached three bedroom bungalow.



- Hallway
- Kitchen/Dining Room
- Master Bedroom With Ensuite
- Two Further Bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Driveway
- Garage
- Gardens

**LYME REGIS - £465,000**

- Located in a desirable cul de sac Rathcraig is a spacious and well presented detached bungalow.
- Porch
- Entrance Hall



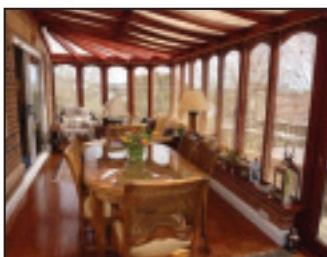
- Kitchen/Dining Room
- Utility
- Conservatory
- Bathroom
- Two Bedrooms With Ensuite
- Two Further Bedrooms
- Study Area
- Parking
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- Gardens

**LYME REGIS - £587,500**

- Lounge/Dining Room With Elevated Balcony
- Kitchen
- Bedroom 1
- En-Suite Shower Room/Wc



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- 4 Further Bedrooms (1 With En-Suite Shower Room/Wc)
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- Utility Room
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- Parking
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**LYME REGIS - £495,000**

A modern spacious family home situated in a much sought after residential cul-de-sac. Lounge, large conservatory, dining room/2nd lounge, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, master bedroom with en suite, 3 further bedrooms, family bathroom. A cellar/workshop along with a double garage and views from the gardens.

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- A unique opportunity to acquire a charming detached Grade II listed thatched property currently run as a successful Bed and Breakfast business.
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- Utility Room
- Cellar
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- Gardens
- Views Along The Coastline
- Owners Accommodation: Lounge - 2 Bedrooms - Private Bathroom - Kitchen

**LYME REGIS - £149,900**

- A semi detached cottage ideal as a second home tucked away in historic part of Lyme Regis with parking and level walks to the shop and sea front.
- Sitting room / dining room
- Kitchen
- 2 bedrooms
- shower room
- courtyard garden

**HAWKCHURCH - £280,000**

- A spacious cottage style house situated close to the centre of this popular a picturesque Devon village.
- Hallway
- Lounge/Dining Room
- Conservatory
- Cloakroom
- Kitchen/Breakfast Room
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Bathroom • Gardens
- Workshop • Garage

**LYME REGIS - £359,995**

- Two bedrooms
- Kitchen/Diner
- Lounge
- Two bathrooms
- Far reaching views
- Double garage
- Communal gardens
- Door entry system
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**CHARMOUTH - £245,000**

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- Conservatory
- Lounge
- Kitchen
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- Bathroom
- Garage
- Gardens
- Views towards Stonebarrow Hill

**CHARMOUTH - £179,000**

Fresh, modern and spacious 2 bedroom, first floor apartment, close to Charmouth Beach and Village Centre

- Entrance Porch
- Lounge
- Hallway
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- Newly re-fitted bathroom
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- Close to sea
- Easy walk to shops

**MORCOMBELAKE - £495,000**

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- Hallway
- Kitchen/dining room
- Utility
- Study/Bedroom
- Cloakroom
- Lounge
- Conservatory
- Master bedroom with dressing room
- Paved gardens with panoramic coastal and rural views

**CHARMOUTH - £349,500****CHARMOUTH - £349,500**

A light refurbished 3 bed period property near the centre of the village with garage and gardens.

- Entrance Hall
- Lounge
- Kitchen/diner
- Master bedroom with en suite shower room
- Two further Bedrooms
- Family bathroom
- Rear southerly garden
- Garage and parking

**CHARMOUTH - £349,500**

A modern 5 year old three bed detached house situated in an elevated position on the western side of Charmouth. Currently operating as a successful holiday letting business.

- Entrance hallway
- Cloakroom
- Kitchen
- Dining room
- Lounge
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- Bathrooms
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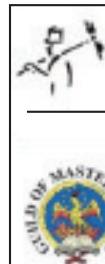
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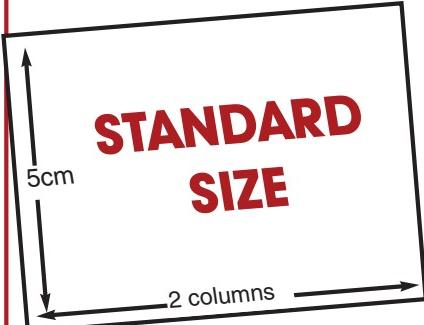
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## Škoda Superb triumphs at Diesel car awards

- Škoda Superb takes Best Large Car for second year running
- New Superb Estate takes the crown for Best Estate Car
- Yeti is announced as runner-up in new category; Best Crossover Car

THE Škoda Superb has been named in the Diesel Car magazine's annual Car of the Year awards 2010, taking the top spot in two categories.

The Superb outshone the competition for the second year running in the Best Large Car category, whilst the new Superb Estate was named Best Estate Car win-

ning over stiff competition from a number of other brands.

The Yeti was also recognised in the awards, earning the runners up spot in one of the new categories; best Crossover Car. Since its launch in September 2009 the Yeti has proved to be a runaway success, winning the Top Gear magazine 'Family Car of the Year' award and

being shortlisted for European Car of the Year in 2010.

In recognition of the Superb's impressive design and value for money, the Diesel Car awards will join the array of other accolades that the Superb has picked up to date including the Top Gear Luxury Car of the Year Award in 2010.

Well deserving of the top spot in the Best Estate Car, the new Superb Estate was launched at the start of the year and is the largest and most luxurious car to ever wear the Škoda badge. Originally designed in the 1930s with luxury and elegance in mind, today's Superb range builds on these strengths, with more rear legroom than many prestige cars on the market and some ingenious technological advances such as AFS (adaptive front light system), touch screen technology and park assist.

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The new model Fabia and Roomster's have been facelifted and fitted with new technology designed to further reduce fuel consumption and CO2 emission levels. The most important innovations include a new engine (1.2 TDI CR DPF/75bhp DPF) with Common Rail (high-pres-

sure direct injection), start-stop technology, energy recuperation and gear recommendation (on a Maxi DOT display).

One of the biggest technological changes in the second-generation GreenLine version is a new three-cylinder turbcharged engine (1.2 TDI CR DPF/55 kW) with a consumption of just 83.1 mpg and CO2 emissions of 89 g/km for the Fabia Estate GreenLine II, and 67.3 and 109 g/km for the Roomster GreenLine II.

In addition to lower CO2 emissions, other contaminant levels

have also been reduced. The new engine complies with the EU 5 emission standard that, for diesel engines, has stricter regulations for nitrogen oxides and solid particles. The gear ratios of the car's five-speed transmission are identical to those of the ordinary Fabia and Roomster models fitted with the same engine. As a result, the GreenLine II offers the same responsiveness yet with lower consumption.

The key benefits of the stop-start system stand out in busy city traffic. The system operates automatically, directly after the engine starts. If,

after some time, the driver stops the vehicle, engages neutral and releases the clutch pedal, the engine switches off automatically. As soon as the driver presses the clutch, the engine starts again immediately. Stop-start makes it is possible to save up to 4.2mpg (combined) or up to 7.7 mpg in city traffic.

Energy recuperation is another state-of-the-art technology introduced on the new Fabia Estate GreenLine II and Roomster GreenLine II. Effective utilisation of the vehicle's kinetic energy for battery recharging is a simple system that helps to save fuel continuously. The two systems – Stop-Start and braking energy recovery work in partnership and, along with other measures, help to make the operation of these new models as environmentally-friendly as possible. The application of the energy recovery system has helped to reduce the CO2 emissions by 2 - 4 g/km.

Other technologies Škoda is introducing on the GreenLine II models to improve economy are the gear recommendation system, which helps the driver make optimum use of the engine's potential, a lowered and aerodynamically-covered chassis and, last but not least, low rolling resistance tyres.



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**Tuesday, May 4th****Premier**

BEAMINSTER bagged three points with a nervy 3-2 win at Merriott Rovers. The game was notable for Beaminster being awarded three penalties by referee Tim Pike.

Murray Legg tucked away the first spot-kick to put the Rainbows ahead. But Merriott stormed back and led 2-1 at the break through Nathan Davenport and Barry Hayne. Legg had an opportunity with his second penalty but had his shot saved. The visitors did however keep their extremely slim title hopes alive when Dave Penn leveled and Tristan Gale netted from the now well-worn 12-yard spot.

**Division One**

PYMORE suffered their biggest home defeat since they were mauled 13-2 by Combe Reserves four years ago as they went down 8-0 at the hands of Farway United.

**Wednesday, May 5th****Daisy Hutchings Cup****Quarter-Final**

GOALS from Ashley Rose (2) and Callum Gundry carried Norton to a 3-0 victory over Beaminster Reserves and lined-up a semi-final encounter with West & Middle Chinnock.

**Premier**

AN incredible last-kick-of-the-match goal from South Petherton keeper Jardine Mackenzie completed a remarkable fight back for South Petherton as they salvaged a point with a 3-3 draw at Misterton. Goals from Ricky Smith and Johnny Jackson saw Missy stun the title-chasing visitors. Smith added a third leave Pethy floundering with just 20 minutes left. A bullet of a shot gave Karl Diment's side hope and Jason Behan his first goal of the season. A foul on Liam Murray ten minutes from time enabled Jon Hayter to slam home a penalty. But it looked as though the hosts would hold on until Mackenzie's astonishing last-gasp leveler.

**Division Two**

UPLYME'S topsy-turvy season ended with a whimper as they were thrashed 6-0 by Champions Millwey Rise.

Things looked good for the Swallows early on but James Beddoes missed in front of an empty net and Mark Fowkes struck the woodwork and Millwey moved up through the gears to cruise home. Mark Vaughan, Marc Jenkins, Ashley Phillips, John Vaughan, Matt Hall and Danny Larcombe cashing in on some decidedly low-pair defending as Uplyme recorded their biggest home defeat since the 8-1 hammering by White Horse some 4½ years ago.

**Premier**

WITH the title race now down to two, Beaminster maintained their hopes of a second placed finish with a 5-1 win over visiting Combe Reserves.

The Saints led at the break through Max Westlake but the second-half was a different story as the hosts cruised to victory with goals from Murray Legg (2), Tom Hounsell, Adam Gale and Greg Channing.

In the other morning kick-off South Petherton also recovered from going behind to a Lee Quincey goal to beat plucky White Horse 3-1. Jon Hayter levelled on the stroke of half-time. Substitute Mike Gilliat put Pethy ahead in the 65th minute with his first touch before Hayter missed a penalty after Paul Holt had been felled.

The result was sealed near the end when Gilliat crossed for Hayter to notch 18 for the season. Despite the defeat Horse's fine end of season run in leaves popular outgoing manager Ian Pincombe with his team still in the top division.

The result at South Petherton meant Crewkerne took to the field at the Davey Fort knowing they would have to beat Lyme Regis 6-0 to maintain their Premier Division status!

The Tigers were never going to do that but they did frustrate Lyme for long periods with Mark Smith in fine form at the back. The opener arrived in the 41st minute when Adam Caddy crossed for Joe Bond to slot home his 21st of the campaign.

That's how it stayed until the 70th minute when a well-worked free-kick move teed up defender Mark Batey for his first of the season. The Seasiders, unbeaten in 24 games, county cup aside, were far from their best in a disjointed performance but are now just one win from their fifth Premier Division Championship.

A 2-0 defeat by Misterton leaves troubled Merriott Rovers without a win in six and stumbling towards the finishing line.

Continued problems off the pitch means teh question remains - will we see a Merriott team take their place on the opening day of the PSL next season?

The derby game at the Rec was a one-sided affair with Barrington clinching fourth spot by crushing weary Ilminster Reserves 6-0.

**Division One**

THE relegation battle at Jocelyn Park has left Pymore staring at a return to Division Two.

Hosts Chard Rangers could still beat the drop thanks to goals from Ben Chubb Darren Murphy and Kev Bird in a

3-1 victory. Mike Scriven netted for Pymore.

Injury-hit Netherbury were soundly beaten by visiting Forton Rangers who remain second after a 3-1 win. It was 4-0 at the turnaround with Matt Brown (2), Lee Richardson and Alan Mansell on target. The second-half was much closer with Mark Cuff bagging his 11th of the season for the consolation.

Stuttering West & Middle Chinnock's poor League form continued. A 6-4 home defeat by strongly finishing Farway United means the Chinnocks have taken just four points from a possible 15 – hardly promotion form.

Things looked good for Nick Ekland's side as they led 2-0 through Aaron Langdon and an own goal. But Tom Albano pulled one back before the interval.

Further strikes from Ashley Lock and Ian Masters saw the hosts' head for the tape 4-3 up. But the Devonians upped a gear and surged home with second-half goals from James Salter, Simon Lane, Dan Dare and Dan Williams who took his tally to 12 with a brace.

**Division Two**

CHAMPIONS Millwey Rise' hope of an unbeaten League season looked under severe threat as visiting Norton Athletic led 2-0 with half and hour on the clock. A tactical switch back to the tried and tested 4-4-2 saw Rise gain a foothold as Bryan Perryman reduce the area.

Player-manager Shane Featherstone equalised two minutes after the restart and when Danny Larcombe scored his sixth in as many games a win looked on the cards. But a last minute leveler gave the Norts a point.

**Division Three**

DESPITE going down to a 6-3 defeat at Crewkerne Rangers Hawkchurch have been crowned Division Three Champions for the first time in their history.

Rangers flew out of the blocks. The lead was 4-0 before Dan Turner pulled one back. But the hosts maintained their Division Two aspirations two further strikes.

Tim Hussey took his personally tally 30 with one of the Hawks' late consolations whilst Paul Chapman, up from the Reserves, netted the other.

Lyme Regis Bantams collected their third win in a week with an impressive 3-0 triumph over Combe A.

Ben Strong's 11th of the season, a fine 20-yard, gave the Seasiders an interval lead. Polish midfielder Patrik Skibinski doubled the lead on the hour before Rob Mackenzie made the points safe with an exquisite chip from 25-yards.

**Division Four**

IT'S down to two from three in the Divi-

sion Four promotion race.

After a horrible mid-season wobble Farway United Reserves are still in the running after a 3-1 win over Thorncombe Reserves.

Wayton Hounds went down 6-2 at Hinton Reserves Simon Smyth and Steve White scored for the Dogs.

**Tuesday, May 4th****Premier Division**

Merriott Rovers 2 Beaminster 3

**Division One**

Ilminster Town Colts 1 Forton Rangers 2

Wimborne 0 Farway United 8

Winsham United 2 Thorncombe 0

**Wednesday, May 5th****Daisy Hutchings Cup Round 4**

Norton Athletic 3 Beaminster Reserves 0

**Premier Division**

Misterton 3 South Petherton 3

**Division Two**

Uplyme 0 Millwey Rise 6

**Division Three**

Chard Rangers Res 4 Fivehead United 3

Shepton Beau Res 2 Crewkerne Res 2

**Thursday, May 6th****Division Three**

Luso-Chard 5 Crewkerne Rangers 1

**Division Four**

Ilminster A 1 Chard United Reserves 2

**Friday, May 7th****Arthur Gage Cup Final**

at Axminster Town FC

Lyme Regis Res 4 Perry Street Res 0

**Saturday, May 8th****Premier Division**

Beaminster 5 Combe Reserves 1

Ilminster Town Reserves 0 Barrington 6

Lyme Regis 2 Crewkerne 0

Merriott Rovers 0 Misterton 2

South Petherton 3 White Horse 1

**Division One**

Chard Rangers 3 Pymore 1

Netherbury 1 Forton Rangers 4

West & M Chinnock 4 Farway United 6

**Division Two**

Forton Rangers Reserves 2 South

Petherton Reserves 5

Millwey Rise 3 Norton Athletic 3

Shepton Beauchamp 5 Drimpton 0

**Division Three**

Crewkerne Rangers 6 Hawkchurch 3

Fivehead United 2 Crewkerne Res 2

Lyme Bantams 3 Combe A 0

Millwey Rise Res 3 Misterton Reserves 1

**Division Four**

Farway United Res 3 Thornecombe Res 1

Hinton Reserves 6 Waytown Hounds 2

Ilminster A 0 Barrington Reserves 5

**Monday, May 10th****Daisy Hutchings Cup Semi-final**

West & Middle Chinnock v Norton Ath

**Division One**

Beaminster Res v S.Peth Res 12 noon

Forton Reserves v Hinton St George

Shepton Beauchamp v Millwey Rise

**Division Three**

Crewkerne Reserves v Luso-Chard

Lyme Bantams v Crewkerne Rangers

**Division Four**

Farway United Res v Barrington Res

Ilminster A v Winsham United Reserves

Waytown Hounds v Chard United Res

**Tuesday, May 18th****Premier Division**

Ilminster Reserves v South Petherton

Merriott Rovers v Lyme Regis

**Division One**

Chard Rangers v Perry Street Reserves

Pymore v Ilminster Town Colts

Thorncombe v West & Middle Chinnock

Winsham United v Lyme Regis Reserves

**Division Two**

Dowlish & Donyatt v Millwey Rise

Norton Athletic v Shepton Beauchamp

**Division One**

Chard United Res 11 11 3 3 57 32 36

Winsham Utd Res 19 10 6 3 71 52 36

Farway United Res 17 10 3 4 56 31 33

Barrington Reserves 19 9 3 7 57 48 30

Waytown Hounds 19 9 2 8 61 49 29

Ilminster Town A\* 18 10 2 6 50 41 28

Hinton Res 19 8 4 7 43 48 28

**Wednesday, May 19th****Division Two**

Hinton v South Petherton Reserves

**Division Three**

Millwey Rise Res v Crewkerne Rangers

**Premier Division**

Lyme Regis 19 17 1 1 55 12 52

Beaminster 21 16 1 4 76 24 49

South Petherton 18 13 3 2 71 20 42

Barrington 21 10 3 8 45 49 33

Misterton 22 9 5 8 41 42 32

Ilminster Res 21 8 4 9 51 49 28

Combe Reserves 21 8 2 11 38 44 26

Merriott Rovers 20 8 2 10 40 51 26

Perry Street 21 7 3 11 37 54 24

White Horse 22 6 4 12 43 51 22

Crewkerne 22 5 4 13 43 57 19

Charmouth 22 0 4 18 23 108 4

**Division One**

Winsham United 19 12 3 4 64 39 28

Forton Rangers 17 10 2 5 44 29 38

Farway United 17 10 5 2 52 24 35

W & M Chinnock 15 9 3 3 55 38 30

Ilminster Colts 16 9 3 4 33 25 30

Netherbury 17 8 3 6 37 29 27

Thorncombe 18 4 3 11 30 38 15

Perry Street Res 16 4 2 10 37 48 14

Chard Rangers 18 4 1 13 29 63 14

Lyme Regis Res 15 2 3 10 17 44 9

Pymore 15 2 3 10 17 44 9

**Division Two**

Millwey Rise 18 16 2 0 65 19 50

Norton Athletic 18 11 3 4 64 35 36

Shepton Beau 17 11 2 4 59 21 35

Beaminster Res 17 9 2 6 40 34 29

Dowlish & Donyatt 17 8 2 7 57 49 26

Forton Rangers Res 19 7 5 7 37 39 26

Hinton St George 17 5 6 6 45 39 21

Uplyme 20 6 2 12 41 61 20

Drimpton 20 4 1 15 41 89 13

Chard United 19 2 0 17 23 88 6

**Division Three**

Hawkchurch 20 13 3 4 65 40 42

Crewkerne Rangers 17 10 2 5 59 36 32

Luso-Chard 18 10 1 7 58 41 31

Fivehead United 20 9 4 7 39 34 31

Millwey Rise Res 19 10 9 4 7 41 40 28

Lyme Bantams\* 19 10 2 7 52 39 29

Misterton Reserves\* 19 8 3 8 48 55 26

Crewkerne Reserves 17 6 6 5 36 31 24

Combe A 20 5 4 11 29 39 19

Shepton Beau Res 19 5 4 10 36 49 19

Chard Rangers Res 20 3 1 16 27 84 10

\* = points deducted

**Division Four**

Chard United Res 17 11 3 3 57 32 36

Winsham Utd Res 19 10 6 3 71 52 36

Farway United Res 17 10 3 4 56 31 33

Barrington Reserves 19 9 3 7 57 48 30

Waytown Hounds 19 9 2 8 61 49 29

Ilminster Town A\* 18 10 2 6 50 41 28

Hinton Res 1

## BOB BUCKLER RACING

### Ethiopia back to best for Buckler

BOB Buckler's theory that technology is not an exact science was proved at Plumpton on Sunday when Ethiopia scooted out to win the Vi Nichol 90th Birthday Novices' Handicap Chase in convincing fashion writes Stuart Broome.

"It just goes to prove how little we know!" he quipped.

Buckler thought the seven-year-old was a certainty at Southwell in his last race having won previously at Plumpton. However he ran badly for no apparent reason; a blood test confirming there was no infection which baffled the Henley trainer.

"It would appear that horses like humans can have off days. He ran very well, particularly as this was his first race over fences. He was fast and very neat over the jumps and won quite easily."

Nathan Sweeney went to the front from the off and with Plane Painter they took the field around at a fair pace. They took the lead at the top of the hill on the run down to the turn into the straight when the 3/1 favourite made a mistake and although Paul Nicholls' Oamaru Stone came to challenge he held him comfortably by 1 1/4 lengths.

He is due to run again at Fontwell tonight over fences although he will carry top weight as a result of penalties for his win, or alternatively Buckler has entered him in a hurdle race at Stratford on Saturday.

Ethiopia's win is the first of the new season

## WEYMOUTH SPEEDWAY

### Islanders put to sword by Wildcats

**National League KO Cup 2nd Leg**

**Weymouth 58 Isle of Wight 36 (Agg: Weymouth 97 Isle of Wight 87)**

WEYMOUTH Weyline Wildcats stormed to a great victory against the Isle of Wight on Friday and now face home and away fixtures against the Newport Hornets in the 2nd round of the KO Cup. The Wildcats wiped out the 12 point deficit inflicted from Tuesday's 1st leg with their best team performance of the season at the Wessex FM Raceway.

The meeting started with inform Byron Bekker and Terry Day scorching to 5-1 heat advantage setting the tone for the rest of the evening. Before the meeting and his three heat wins and 13 points return Bekker said: "The team are starting to get it together; it showed on the Isle of Wight where we held it together until the last two heats. We had a bit of bad luck on the Island and it's just speedway. I think we've got good chances of pulling it back tonight though."

All the Wildcats weighed in with big points returns apart from out of form reserve Nick Lee. Day provided solid back up with two heat wins on his way to 10+3 points which included a fall in the final race of the evening. After wrecking a bike and blowing his best engine in the last heat last Tuesday, James Cockle dropped only one point to an opponent with a 15+1 return riding an engine that he dislikes!

Both sides operated the rider replacement facility, the Wildcats cover for Tom Brown and the Islanders for Dean Felton. Just two heat advantages and four race wins showed how much the Islanders struggled with below par returns and a number of falls hampering their progress.

Wildcats reserve Richard Andrews won heat two on his way to an impressive 10+1 score. Asked how he felt after the meeting Andrews said: "We got the set up, it felt good and I went out there and made some good starts. I just want to go to Newport and prove my point as I used to ride for them, and show them what I'm made of."

Gary Cottingham had a painful tumble on the exit of the last corner in heat 12 but jumped to his feet to agonisingly push over the line to grab two points after the Islanders riders had both crashed out in separate incidents in earlier attempted running's of the heat. Rikki Mullins sliding off in the first running, and ex-Wildcat Danny Warwick demolishing a kickboard entering into the home straight and ending up going under the safety fence at the second attempt!

The Weymouth Wildcats take a break from National League duties next Friday (14th) with the visit of the Somerset 'Giants' in a challenge fixture at the normal start time of 7.15pm before travelling to Norfolk to take on King's Lynn 'Young Stars' on Sunday, May 16th

**Weymouth Wildcats**  
1. Byron Bekker (3-3-2-2-3) 13, 2. Terry Day (2\*-3-1\*-3-1\*-F) 10+3, 3. Rider Replacement for Tom Brown, 4. Gary Cottingham (1-1-2\*-2\*) 9+2, 5. James Cockle (3-2-3-3-2\*-2) 15+1, 6. Richard Andrews (3-2\*-1-1-3) 10+1, 7. Nick Lee (1-M-0-M-0) 1, 8. Luke Wiltshire dr

## SEASIDERS RUN RIOT IN FINAL

**Arthur Gage Cup Final - Friday, May 7th at Axminster Town FC**

### LYME REGIS RESERVES 4 PERRY STREET RES 0

LYME Regis Reserves dominated proceedings at Axminster Town's Sector Lane on Friday evening. The final 4-0 score line could have been much greater such was the Seasiders' complete control of the 60th Arthur Gage Cup Final.

An early Ally Rattenbury corner skidded off the Perry Street crossbar but it wasn't long before the opener arrived. Jason Hawker broke through the inside right channel and drilled in a cross shot which deflected into the net off a defender.

On the half-hour Fred Thomson seemed certain to score, but with the goal gaping, defender Rich Rowson stepped in and the ball flashed wide.

Five minutes later Hawker broke clear but struck the foot of the post.

He second-half continued in much the same vein. Hawker squandered another chance when his one-on-one opportunity was well saved by keeper Mike Govier.

With the large Lyme contingent amongst the crowd of 150 growing concerned at the slender 1-0 lead and the amount of squandered chances, Gerard Hitchcock, overseeing his first final as a manager, introduced the first of his three allotted substitutes – all of who had an impact in opening the floodgates.

In the 53rd minute Rob Larcombe came on at right-back to replace limping midfielder Danny Thirlwell.

And within minutes Larcombe made the first of several marauding surges down the right flank before unleashing a dipping 25-yard shot that cannoned back off Govier's bar only for Thomson to nod into the empty net.

With the outcome of the game now in no doubt two more substitutes were summoned from the bench – and both scored. Ryan Fifer, on for the hard-working Aaron Cleal, side-footed home with just his second touch in the 83rd minute and Rory Holmes put the icing on the cake with the pick of the goals, a crisp low 20-yarder two minutes from time.

This was a superb all-round squad performance from the Seasiders with holding midfielder Luke Clifton just beating off the claims of Cleal and skipper Stuart King for the Man-of-the-Match award.

**♦ Lyne Regis Reserves team:** Jedd Whittington, Stuart King (captain), Tim Edwards, Adam Clarke, Ally Rattenbury, Luke Clifton, Darren Poole, Danny Thirlwell (Rob Larcombe 53), Fred Thomson, Aaron Cleal (Ryan Fifer 82), Jason Hawker (Rory Holmes 72). Unused subs: Luke Street, Harvey Brimacombe, Neal Baker.

Referee: Shaun Annetts.

## MUNRO TAKES THIRD ROUND ROCK THE 10K

### Royal Manor of Portland Athletics Club

SIMON Munro won the recent 3rd annual 'Round the Rock' 10k race in almost ideal conditions, beating Tony White from host club Royal Manor of Portland Athletics Club (RMPAC) by ten seconds.

The Bournemouth Athletics Club member completed the course run around Portland in 36 minutes 41 seconds. John Shapland of SW Vets was third.

Despite a wet start, the conditions cool and dry with a good covering of cloud, were almost ideal except for a moderate wind blowing from Portland Heights Hotel to Avalanche Road.

The event sponsored by Quay Healthcare and Albion Stone attracted well over one hundred entrants from as far afield as Swindon and Cheltenham and started at Grove.

The competitors ran through Easton, Wakeham, Southwell and finally Weston before finishing at the Blues Club.

Ali Young was the first woman home in a time of 40 minutes 36 seconds over two minutes ahead of runner-up Polly Adams of RMPAC.

There was also a 2k fun run for the younger runners with Khai Locke the



CLOSE ENCOUNTER: Bournemouth AC's Simon Munro (right) battles it out with RMPAC's Tony White.

first boy home and Caprice Locke the first girl to finish.

The presentation of awards were made by Mike Tizard of Albion Stone and RMPAC President Councillor Les Ames.

The club would like to thank all the organisers for what was a very successful day and look forward to their next race, the Portland 10 on Sunday, July 4th.

Royal Manor of Portland Athletics Club was founded in 1983 and caters for all ages and abilities. The club is affiliated with UK Athletics and has in excess of 80 members who meet up to three times per week. For further details visit www.rmpac.co.uk or call 01305 820666.

## LYME REGIS GOLF CLUB

With Steve Percival.

### Bader Cup

MAY Bank holiday Monday was the set date for the eliminator round to select the pair to represent the club in the national mixed pairs stableford competition organised by the Douglas Bader foundation.

With the possibility of a place in the finals to be played in in Portugal in September on offer, competition was fierce and scores were more than respectable.

At the end of the day Julian Cox and Linda Baker achieved first place with an excellent 39 points to narrowly beat Howard and Geraldine Wickes into second place and win through to the regional finals at Stover Golf Club on 19 August.

### Rover Cup Stableford competition

DESPITE the chilling Northerly wind on Sunday, May 9th, scores were much improved from those recorded during previous rounds on the course and the results show some very impressive scores in both divisions of the competition.

In Division One Malcolm Wilson, with no fewer than nine pars and two birdies and a score of 42 points, narrowly defeated Kieren Borgeat into second place on countback. In third place with a very creditable 39 points was Joshua Harison.

Division Two saw a previous captain of the club, John Owen, playing off 18, score a very impressive 40 points to beat John Perryman into second place on countback. In third place with 38 points was Graham (Doc) Paterson.

### Seniors Monthly Stableford competition

MONDAY, May 10th saw an excellent turn out of 69 competitors for the Seniors May monthly medal competition.

For the early starters the brisk and biting North Easterly wind proved a little daunting at first but, as the fairways and greens are currently in excellent condition for the time of year, the winning scores were more than respectable.

Division One was a very close contest with three participants each scoring 38 points.

In the inevitable countback it was David Hadwin, playing off 18 who achieved first place over John Coley (7) and the "ever steady" Ted Baker playing

off 15. Division two saw a clearer winner in the shape of former club captain Tony Johnstone (18) with 38 points beat Colin Conn (28) with 36 points who edged out Richard Cridge (27) on countback to achieve second place.

### Team Results:

With the better weather and the lifting of "winter rules" Summer inter club competitions are now in full swing.

Whilst mixed fortunes are an inevitable result of competitive golf, the Lyme teams have fared well, of late.

In particular the team competing in the Knighton Heath over 60s knockout competition needed Adrian Wells, Captain for the day, to sink a birdie putt on the final hole of his round to clinch victory by 51/2 to 41/2 against their opponents from Isle Of Purbeck.

Meanwhile, in the Dorset League competition for players with handicaps between 11 and 18, with four of the matches going the full distance to the 18th hole, the Hardy B team scored an emphatic win by 31/2 to 11/2 against Sturminster Marshall. The Hardy A team meanwhile suffered a relatively narrow defeat by 41/2 to 21/2 against Sherborne.

### Lyme Ladies by Ellie Langford

#### May Medal and

#### Golf Foundation Brooch

AFTER a wet start the rain stopped and good golf was enjoyed by all with some excellent rounds leading to several handicap reductions.

Jane Southcombe won the Golf Foundation Brooch with a nett score of 67 after birdies on the 2nd , 5th, 9th and 10th holes cutting her handicap from eight to seven.

Other handicap reductions were Brenda Brown 27 to 26, Glens Phillips 27 to 26, Elizabeth Thompson 19 to 18, Angela Clark 26 to 25, Jean Forbes-Harris 29 to 28.

### Results of the Medal:

Division One: 1 Jane Southcombe 67; 2 Elizabeth Thompson 71; 3 Francis Sell 72; Division Two: 1 Brenda Brown 71; 2 Angela Clark 72; 3 Margaret Slater 73; Division 3: Jean Forbes-Harris 71; Hanna Jacobsen 75; Deirdre Potter 75.

Lyme Regis won their 4th round match in the Mail on Sunday competition, beating Minehead 4-1.

## Streamlining at WPNSA

THE Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy (WPNSA) has announced that it will be streamlining the organisation ahead of the 2012 Olympic sailing events which will attract the world's top sailors to the South West of the UK.

The new structure at the venue that is shortlisted for the 2010 Sport Industry Award 'Sport Venue of the Year' will see the merging of the onsite commercial company 'Sail Force Ltd' with the not-for-profit Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy.

John Tweed, Chief Executive of the Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy explained: "When the WPNSA was first established, it was set up as a not-for-profit organisation in order to apply for essential grants from the Sports Lottery Fund, the South West Regional Development Agency, local authorities, charitable trusts and other associated benefactors".

The academy then appointed a commercial company 'Sail Force Ltd' to undertake the majority of the venue's operational activities. Sail Force Ltd, a family business owned and managed by Phil and Sandra Gollop, brought commercial acumen as well as detailed knowledge and experience of running high elite level competitive events from their previous business at the nearby Weymouth Sailing Centre. This original structure worked effectively to date and the decision to merge the two organisations was made earlier earlier this year in order to streamline onsite management.

The venue for the sailing competition at the London 2012 Olympic Games and Paralympic Games will continue to be a not-for-profit organisation with a clear new management structure moving forward to the Games period and through into the future legacy years. Sail Force will now be re-branded as 'WPNSA Ltd' with the well known Gollop's continuing to work hand in hand with their team at the academy.

Edward Leask, Chairman of the Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy commented: "We have a very exciting and challenging time ahead of us. We wanted to make sure we had the right organisational structure in place to meet these growing challenges through a clear, responsive and agile organisation that could only be produced through this streamlining. Our future outlook is now very much orientated around our not-for-profit status however, we still need to operate in a financially prudent and sustainable manner to ensure we generate sufficient income to ensure financial stability for the venue and a strong future."

## Title hopes still alive

### Weymouth & District Table Tennis League

DESPITE a good win away to St Osmunds Hawks, Shipton Gorge B failed by just one point to catch first placed Pilgrims and must now wait to see if St Osmunds Sharks overtake them for second place.

The A team still have high hopes of the first division championship after a convincing win over fifth placed All Saints Weymouth.

### Shipton Gorge A 26 All Saints 9

ALTHOUGH Paul Carter put up a spirited resistance for the visitors beating Chris Glover 3-2 from 0-2 down in the first match and later accounting for Gil Roberts 3-0 the all round strength of the home team eventually wore down the圣人。

Back from injury Richard Trim was in good form, beating Carter 3-0 and dropping just one set to Steve Rook in gaining his 9 point maximum.

Glover's narrow loss to Carter proved to be his only setback as he went on to comfortable 3-0 victories over Rook and Thompson. Roberts also went on to win 3-1 and 3-0 before Glover and Trim ended a fine night with a 3-1 doubles win over Carter and Rook.

### St Osmunds Hawks 16 Shipton Gorge B 23

NEEDING 24 points to go level with Pilgrims at the top of the table, Gorge went agonizingly close. With Joe Boardman collecting a maximum 9 for the home team the task was difficult but John Moseley and Jim Saunders carved out 7 points each and Ron Tuckott a further 6 before Saunders and Moseley took the doubles 3-1.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

### GOLF: Cheddington Court Golf Club

The results of the April Stableford held on Sunday April 25th were:

Division 1: 1st: Alex Stevenson 40pts, 2nd: Ashley Hodgkinson 39pts, 3rd: Lee Chant 36pts (OCB).  
Division 2: 1st: Nick Taylor 39pts 2nd: Keith Mahan 31pts (OCB).  
Division 3: Mark Gibson 37pts, 2nd: Roy Hannam 34pts, 3rd: Paul Newman 33pts.  
Richard Fox won the Wed Roll Up on April 28th with 26pts followed by Geoff Neal (24 pts) with Steve Fussell (22pts) third.

### BRIDPORT SKITTLES:

Cup Fixtures For Week Beginning Monday 17th May

### Lock Hansford Cup Final

Monday 17th May @ Loders Arms

### Ladies Threes Final

Monday, May 17th

### Bradpole Club — Yondover Three;

Brandy Snaps; Nuts & Raisons; Us Three;

### Cup Winners Cup Final

Tuesday, May 18th at Lord Nelson

### Ladies Pairs Final

Wednesday 19th May

### Ilchester — M. Hansford & S. Galpin;

S. Tompkins & J. Dawe; J. Sykes & K. Tuck; L. Cowburn & L. Dunk;

### Portman Handicap Final

Wednesday, May 19th at Tiger

### Presentation Night

May 21st at Freshwater. Tickets On Sale From The Lord Nelson at £4 Each.

## Howzat! - The West Dorset Cricket scene

WITH STUART BROOM &amp; HOWARD LARCOMBE

## MIXED WEEKEND FOR DEPLETED SIDES

## Dorset County Cricket Club

**Herefordshire 159 all out****lost to Dorset 160-8 by 2 wickets**

DORSET'S bowling was the key to this victory over Herefordshire that enhances their chances of winning their group and progressing in the Minor Counties Trophy.

The two wicket win means they top Group 3 with five points with just one match to play; at home to Oxfordshire on May 23rd at Weymouth.

Only Hertfordshire, whose home fixture with Dorset was abandoned because of rain can catch the home county.

Chris Park won the toss at Eastnor and put the hosts into bat and FH Shahid and Wood (15) made a bright start before Matt Metcalfe had the latter caught by Nick Park with the score on 33.

Despite some excellent bowling from Rich Banham (1-25), Metcalfe (2-30) David Taylor (2-36) and Ed Denham (2-32) Herefordshire looked to be moving to a good total at 101-3 through Shahid (21), Adshead (22) and Burroughs (38).

However Taylor removed Atiq-ur-Rehman (10) and Denham had Exall caught behind with the next ball.

The introduction of Glyn Treagus once again proved vital as he removed the next three home batsmen in a spell of 3-18 off 7 overs, and Herefordshire were finally dismissed for 159 all out.

Dorset made a shaky start in reply losing both openers, Nick Park (1) and Treagus (9) with just 16 on the board, but a steady partnership between Aaron Williams (12) and David Taylor (29) restored parity.

However at 76-5 Dorset appeared to be struggling again before Josh Lawrence (24) and Chris Morgan steadied the ship with a partnership of 38, and it was Morgan with an undefeated 31 not out, including 5 fours and a six that saw Dorset home with 15 overs to spare.

Manager Sean Walbridge whilst pleased with the victory thought there was still areas of the game that his side could improve.

"We bowled very well again as a unit, with some excellent fielding and the catches by Rich Banham and Aaron Williams were superb. All the bowlers were economical and bowled well throughout, but Glyn Treagus was once again a revelation."

"We didn't bat as well as we did against Bedfordshire and one or two got out to shots they wouldn't be proud of, but the partnership between Josh Lawrence and Chris Morgan not only would have given both of them confidence being fairly young, but also shows that we bat well down the order."

"There are a few points to work on, but overall we have a well balanced side with plenty to offer with the ball, and bat well down the order."

## HEREFORDSHIRE

F.Shahid c Banham b Metcalfe

C.Wood c N.Park b Metcalfe

S.Adshead+ lbw b Denham

C.Boroughs\* b Taylor

A.Chishti c Williams b Taylor

D.Exhall c P.Carey b Denham

J.Ralph b Treagus

T.Austwick c Morgan b Treagus

L.Sellers c &amp; b Treagus

Z.Shahid lbw b Banham

F.Eburah not out

Extras

**Total**21  
15  
22  
38  
10  
0  
3  
3  
14  
5  
5  
6  
20  
**159 all out**

Bowling: R.Banham: 8.3-1-25-1. M.Metcalfe: 10-1-30-2, D.Taylor: 10-0-36-2, E.Denham: 8-1-32-2, G.Treagus: 7-1-18-3, C.Morgan: 3-0-16-0.

## DORSET

G.Treagus c Chishti b Eburah

N.Park b L.Sellers

A.Williams c Boroughs

D.Taylor b Shahid

D.Cowley lbw b Shahid

J.Lawrence c Wood b Shahid

C.Morgan not out

C.Park +\* b Sellers

M.Metcalfe c Adshead b Sellers

E.Denham not out

Extras

**Total**9  
1  
12  
29  
5  
24  
31  
7  
2  
1  
39  
**160 for 8**

Wimborne &amp; Colehill 193-6 tied with

Weymouth 180-6 (reduced target)

WEYMOUTH just failed to grab a last ball victory in a rain reduced match when John Armfield and Matt Lawes could only run two off the final delivery.

Having restricted their hosts to 193-6 from 42 overs, Weymouth's target was then reduced further to 181 off 31 overs following more rain.

New Zealander Andrew Falloon made his debut for the Seasiders and took 2-40 with Lawes claiming three wickets when Wimborne &amp; Colehill batted.

Skipper Paul Payne and Jim Ryall made a steady start to the innings but it was Armfield with an undefeated 64 that was the backbone of the reply, and his partnership with Lawes almost saw them to victory but Armfield slipped as he turned for the second and denying them a third for victory.

## Division One

**Sherborne 145 all out beat****Beaminster 126 all out by 17 runs (reduced target)**

BEAMINSTER travelled to Sherborne with a severely weakened team, and despite being complete underdogs were unlucky to fall 17 runs short of victory in a game they feel they could have won with a full team.

Having been skittled out for just 49 last week after being asked to bat first, skipper Ross Baker was glad to win the toss and decided to field in cold and damp conditions on a pitch that had been covered and was in surprisingly good condition.

R.Baker and P.Hancock coped well against the new ball and Paul Martin and Jack Guilar bowled four aggressive overs before rain stopped play for ten minutes. The first wicket deservedly fell to Martin who had Hancock caught behind by veteran fourth reserve wicketkeeper Noddy David.

Baker (58) then started to accelerate the scoring and played some lovely drives against Beaminster's seamers and deservedly reached his half century. However he was unable to get Martin away, who bowled unchanged to finish with impressive figures of 1-19 off his ten overs.

The game turned on its head following a double bowling change with debutant Andy Sherring and off spinner Mark Barber introduced into the attack.

They bowled beautifully, keeping it tight, and both were re-

R.Thom	lbw	b Watkins
J.Sims	b Wakeham	
J.Whittington+	c Cooper	b Wakeham
J.Toates	c DeFriend	b Wakeham
B.Malby	b Wakeham	
Ash Caddy*	c DeFriend	b Abbott
M.Batey	b Bowden	
Ad Caddy	c Curtis	b Thomas
S.Batey	not out	
B.Strong	not out	
Extras		
<b>Total</b>		

27	warded	with figures of 3-26. Unable to cope with the guile and clever variations of Beaminster's new recruits, the Sherborne
26		innings collapsed. Barber had Locke (17) caught behind with the score on 79 and when Sherring bowled Baker, wickets fell quickly. Good fielding also contributed as Sherborne were finally dismissed for 145 all out when Simon Jones (1-5) bowled the dogged M.Hancock.
4		In reply Beaminster started badly with M.Hancock dismissing David, who played on, and John Ridd for ducks with just seven on the board prompting a middle order collapse.
7		Resistance came from the excellent Dan Hillier (48) and an
7		entertaining cameo from Baker (22) who quickly smashed 3 fours a huge six. When Hillier was joined by Martin (14), Beaminster seized control of the game and looked on course for an improbable victory.
34		However, Nurton (6-53) persevered to finish with six wickets including Hillier as Beaminster finished 17 runs short of a revised target.
1		Skipper Baker said: "Under the circumstances, I was proud of the team's performance but we realise that we missed an opportunity as our batting let us down once again."
200 for 9		

<b>IPPLEPEN</b>		
S.DeFriend	c Ash Caddy	b Ad Caddy
L.Tuckett	b Strong	
T.Cooper	c Whittington	b Ad Caddy
J.Watkins	c Whittington	b Ad Caddy
J.Abbott	c Whittington	b Ad Caddy
D.Harris	lbw	b Strong
J.Heath	lbw	b Strong
L.Curtis	c Whittington	b Strong
S.Bowden	not out	
P.Thomas	not out	
Extras		
<b>Total</b>		

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28		

<b>196 for 8</b>		
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**Bowling:** Ash Caddy: 10-1-50-0, Ad Caddy: 13-4-28-4, J.Toates: 6-0-20-0, S.Batey: 10-0-63-0, B.Strong: 7-0-30-4.

◆ WITH PICKLE? Justin Tunstall, owner of the Lyme Regis Town Mill Cheesemongers presents Bruce Malby with a special 'Sixes' cheese after he became the first batsman hit a maximum in a home league game this season.

## Ipplepen 2nds v Uplyme &amp; Lyme Regis 2nds

THE early loss of experienced opening pair Eddie Clarke and Dave Norman set the tone for a difficult afternoon for Uplyme 2nds as they were soundly beaten by Ipplepen. The hosts stumbled their way to 39 all out with extras top scoring with 17 in the face of some fine bowling by R.Hay (4 for 18) and K.Bell (3 for 7). A wicket apiece for opening bowlers Jolly Bugg and Paul Crompton did at least ensure Uplyme collected a point from their travels as the Pens knocked up 40 for 2 in just 9.2 overs.

## DORSET FUNERAL PLAN LEAGUE

## Premier League

**Dorchester v Broadstone No result – rain ground unfit**

## Wimborne &amp; Colehill 193-6 tied with

## Weymouth 180-6 (reduced target)

WEYMOUTH 2nd's looked to be in trouble in their match against one of the title favourites Bournemouth as they crashed to 93 in 30 to a mediocre 156 all out at Redlands. Michael Pearce (4-20) had paved the way for a potential victory with support from Graham Pickett, Will McKay and skipper John Ryan who took a brace apiece.

However with Kieron Womble, Andy Bray and Will McKay all back in the pavilion it was left to veteran Sean Fitzgerald to steady the ship with a dogged 26, but at 62-6 it looked as if all their good work in the field would be wasted.

However Pearce (37no) joined forces with brother Michael (33no) in an unbroken stand of 83 that saw the Seasiders to victory.

## Division Two

## Hamworthy Recreation 148-1 beat

**Dorchester 2nd 161 all out by 9 wickets (reduced target)**

After last week's exciting narrow victory, Dorchester 2nd's tasted defeat with a comprehensive nine wicket defeat by Hamworthy Recreation.

## Division Three

## Portland Red Triangle 154 all out

**lost to Bridport 156-6 by 4 wickets**

BRIDPORT'S form in the first two games is such that new skipper Sam Good already sees promotion back to Division Two at the first attempt a distinct possibility.

After his sides four wicket win at Portland RT to remain undefeated he said: "We couldn't have started better with two victories. We have a very strong team this year and I definitely believe that promotion is a possibility based on what we have done so far. This week was another good all round performance and it augers well for the future."

Winning the toss, Good inserted the host and superb bowling on a notorious batting track saw Portland restricted to 154 all out.

Chris Backhouse took three wickets, and there was a brace apiece for Ashley Nicholls, Wes Lewis and Ashley Parker.

In addition the fielding was first class with Duane Gay's catch in the deep to dismiss Red Triangle's top scorer John Dixon the highlight.

In reply there were good solid performances from Mark Smith (27) and Gay (22), and a quickfire 20 from Dom Gape.

It was left to Backhouse (38no) and Lewis (20no) with an undefeated half century partnership to steer Bridport home to a convincing victory.

## Cattistock v Martinstown No result – rain ground unfit

## Division Four

**Beaminster 2nd 117 all out lost to Poole 3rd 210-9 by 93 runs**

BEAMINSTER skipper Adam Herring won the toss and put Poole into bat.

Again it was a good bowling and fielding performance but

the loose balls that were bowled were punished by Poole. Top performers with the ball were; Murray Legg returned figures of 45 off 12 overs, Stuart Lindsay 2 for 37 off 9 overs and Adam Herring 2 for 38 off 12 overs, including a superb caught and bowled as Poole were left rocking on 86 for 5.

The visitors eventually finished their 45 overs on 210 for 9, number 3 batsmen S Matthews hitting a superb unbeaten 110 with no other batsmen hitting over 15 runs.

Joe Singleton was unlucky not to pick up a wicket, but Will Haggerty did get his first wicket of the season, ending with figures of 1 for 22 off his 4 overs.

In reply Beaminster's openers Legg (31) and Nick Boundy (32) shared an opening partnership of 56. Once Boundy was cleaned up, there was a steady loss of wickets and the hosts collapsed to 117 all out.

Shaun Annets batted well for his 15, with both Liam Annets and Ben Ward playing some confident strokes before losing their wickets.

Beaminster consider Poole will be one of the stronger teams in the league and can take confidence from the six points gained from this match.

Next week the team are away to Kingston Lacy where they hope to continue building on their early season performances and look to pick up a first win of the season.

## Division Five

**Broadstone 4th v Weymouth 3rd No result – rain.**

## Division Six

## Christchurch 2nd 146-5 beat

**Abbotsbury 143 all out by 5 wickets**

ABBOSBURY'S early-season struggle continued with a five wicket loss after their long trip to Christchurch. With only seven players due to injuries and unavailability leaving them without a full team, they did extremely well.

Batting first, the villagers soon lost Nick Kneebone, but thanks mainly to a solid 60 from Simon Pengelly, stubbornly supported by Robin Potter (18) in a stand of 77 for the fourth wicket, they managed three batting points in a total of 143 all out.

With only seven players on the field, it was always going to be hard after tea and Christchurch moved steadily towards their target, Langdon top scoring with 28. Abbotsbury's gamble of opening the bowling with spinner Pengelly was not a notable success, but the ever-reliable Grafton Straker took three wickets in his twelve-over spell and there was also a wicket each for Gary Pittman and Ryan Beesley, his first for the club.

This was a gutsy, backs-to-the-wall performance by those present, but playing short numbers is not going to win games. If anyone would like a game and can help out, they should ring the club secretary, Mick Lydford (01305 773692).

Bridport 2nd's top order collapsed with only Nigel Toohill (12) getting into double figures, and the hosts were 45-6 when when Gay arrived at the crease.

However with superb support from Tom Higham who kept Gay on strike by grabbing singles at the end of the over, they carried the score past three figures before Gay departed with a fine 54 which included a number of fours.

Gay did his best with the ball as well and his economical spell of 2-20 from 10 overs restricted Blandford's reply. With fellow opening bowler Ed Halson and Dan White both claiming two wickets Bridport appeared to be in with a chance with Blandford on 65-6.

However a dogged innings from youngster Savage saw the visitors home.

## Sturminster Marshall v Dorchester 3rd No result – rain

## LONGHAM GARDEN MACHINERY

## DORSET SUNDAY LEAGUE

## Division Three

**Weymouth 266-8 beat Iwerne & Fontmell 203 all out by 63 runs**

## Division Four

**Symene 252-4 beat Lymett Minster 229-7 by 23 runs**

SYEMENE made it two wins in two with a good display to beat Lymett Minster.

Batting first they lost Colin Willcox cheaply and fellow opener Liam Toohill was dropped when on one. Lymett regretted that as he went on to stroke a masterful 74, before Mark Tozer with a superb 77 not out and Marcel Grunschmid with a swashbuckling 63, added over 120 runs in just 13 overs to take the target beyond 250.

Lymett were not daunted and were 155-1 in reply before Sam Challis and Willcox returned for their second spells. Challis removed both dangermen, Dennett four short of his century and Evans for 58 as the two took five wickets in five overs to quell Minster's fire, who then batted out the overs to get additional batting points.

On a day when almost 400 runs were scored, Willcox's 2-26 off 12 overs was a tremendous performance ably abetted by Challis' 3-50 off 12.

## READERS MID-WESSEX LEAGUE

## Division One

**Middlesey 195-7 beat Broadwindsor 120 all by 75 runs**

NINE dropped catches, several of them easy, spelt disaster for Broadwindsor at Middlesey.

For the second week running a poor performance in the field meant Broadwindsor had a far harder target than they should have, with only Ross Baker (2-40) the best of a frustrated bunch of bowlers.

Steve Phillips (22) and Dan Hillier (24) gave the Dorset side hope with a half century third wicket stand, but nobody else contributed much and they fell well short of the requirement.

## WEYMOUTH RUGBY CLUB NEWS

# Mini and Youth team prize giving awards

THE Mayor of Weymouth and Portland Ann Kenwood was the guest at the Mini and Youth team prize giving where she helped present awards for the Player of the Year (POY) and Most Improved Player (MIP) together with chairman Andy Stallman and club chairman Glyn Arnold for each age group.

The winners were:  
Under 7s: POY Gabriel Burton;  
MIP Ian Clemens  
Under 8s: POY Jack Hayward;

MIP James Dobson  
Under 9s: POY Sam Read and Ben Robertson; aMIP Marshal Miller  
Under 10s: POY Tai Thomas Day and Jessica Berry; MIP Alec Baker  
Under 11s: POY Will Stone; MIP Glen Watts  
Under 12s: POY George Harvey; MIP Harry Jeffs  
Mr Stallman congratulated all the players and thanked coaches, team managers and volunteers for all their hard work.  
Photos by CHRIS DAVIS



◆ UNDER 7s and 8s with coaches Chris Calton, Steve Hunter and team managers Karen and Jason Weston



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◆ UNDER 9s and 10s with coaches Lian Berry, Paul Thomas-Day and team managers Andy Stallman and Kate Berry



◆ UNDER 11s with coaches Gerry Keenan, Nathan Parker, Stan Wyatt, Callum Guest, Tim Glover and team managers Giselle Wyatt and Sally Watts



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## HUTCH EYES NEW DEFENDER

TERRAS manager Ian Hutchinson has wasted no time in moving for a replacement for Jamie Frampton who signed for Dorchester Town last week.

Hutch was shocked by Frampton's departure after Magpies manager Ashley Vickers moved in to snap up the teenager after Weymouth failed to re-engage him by offering him new terms before the May 1st deadline.

Hutch held talks with the unnamed defender on Saturday who has been one of his main targets and hopes to conclude the deal by this weekend.

"He's gone away to think about it, and hopefully we will have some good news by the weekend because he will be a good signing for us."

"We were sorry to lose Jamie because he has been a great asset to us but he's ambitious and wants to play at as high a level as he can and you can't fault that. Relegation didn't help the situation and I was looking to build the side around him, but I

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wish all the luck; he's a talented lad."

Hutch has not wasted time either checking out a number of former Terras players including Lee Phillips and Jason Matthews.

"I know they would love to come and play for the club but we have the problems of finance and the level of football we will be playing at and that is a problem for them."

Hutchinson has also spoken with Scott Brice and Josh Llewellyn who were not offered terms by Dorchester last week having signed short-term contracts after Weymouth released them in February due to the financial situation.

"They both naturally want to play at the highest level they can and so are leaving their options open at the moment."

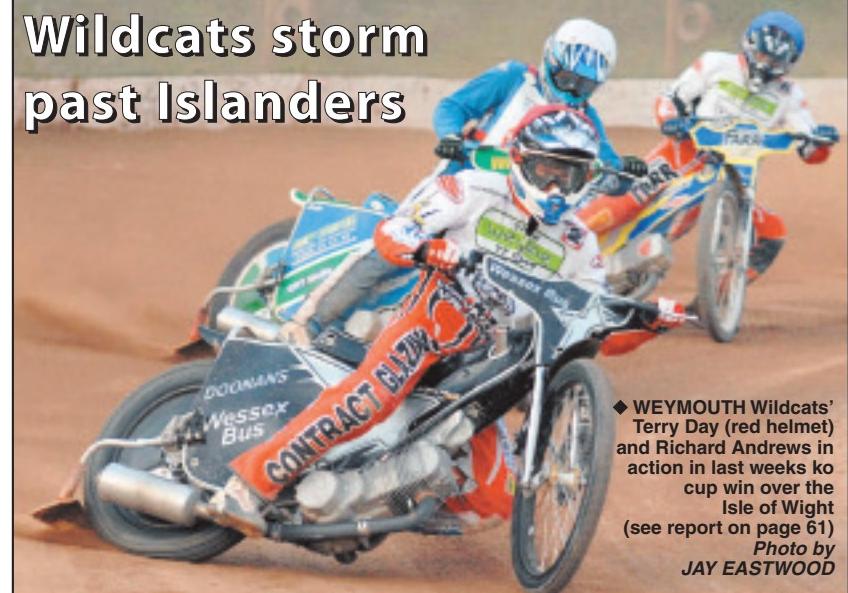
"Scott was brilliant when he was here, I am a real fan of his. He was a

real leader and gave everything for the club, and Josh also played his part as well. But I appreciate that they need to do the best for themselves and financially there is not a lot I can offer them, but I am hopeful.

"Andy and I have been looking at players as we need to start building a side for the new season. I think people have to realise where we're at. We cannot afford big names and at the moment it is about building a team of players who hopefully will be able to grow with us. I am ambitious to manage at the highest level and I want players that want to do likewise."

Asked if he and Mase would be getting their boots on next season Hutch said: "I don't think so. I want to concentrate on managing and bringing young players through, but I guess we might sign a form so that we are available in a real emergency."

**Wildcats storm past Islanders**



◆ WEYMOUTH Wildcats' Terry Day (red helmet) and Richard Andrews in action in last weeks ko cup win over the Isle of Wight (see report on page 61)

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